MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS   DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

INCLUDES CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR ALL AREAS PLUS LABOR MARKET REVIEWS FOR THE STATE
AND THE ST. LOUIS, KANSAS CITY, AND SPRINGFIELD SMSA'S

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MISSOURI LABOR MARKET REVIEW

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The number of jobless Missourians dropped further in September, as the state's unemployment rate fell below 6 percent for the first time since 1979. Just under 140,000 Missourians were estimated to have been unemployed in September, a drop of about 12,400 from the August level. The unemployment rate fell by half a percentage point between August and September, to 5.9 percent.

Employment increased seasonally in the month, growing by about 10,100 to 2,233,800. The number of nonfarm payroll jobs in the state grew by a larger amount, which has been unusual during the recovery, increasing by 21,700 jobs to 1,977,300. This increase was primarily due to the return to work of employees in schools and colleges following summer vacations. State and local government employment, which includes the bulk of such workers, showed a seasonal gain of 22,200 in September. The other nonfarm payroll sectors showed little change, on balance. A gain of 2700 jobs in the motor vehicles and equipment industry, following the end of model changeover layoffs, was offset by small decreases in other durable goods and nondurable goods manufacturing and seasonal declines in construction and services.

Compared to September 1983, nonagricultural wage and salary employment is up by 32,500 jobs, with gains of 4600 in motor vehicles and equipment, 8400 in other durable goods manufacturing, 6500 in trade, 5200 in state and local government, and 4900 in utilities making up most of the increase.

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STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT 5-YEAR HISTORICAL SERIES

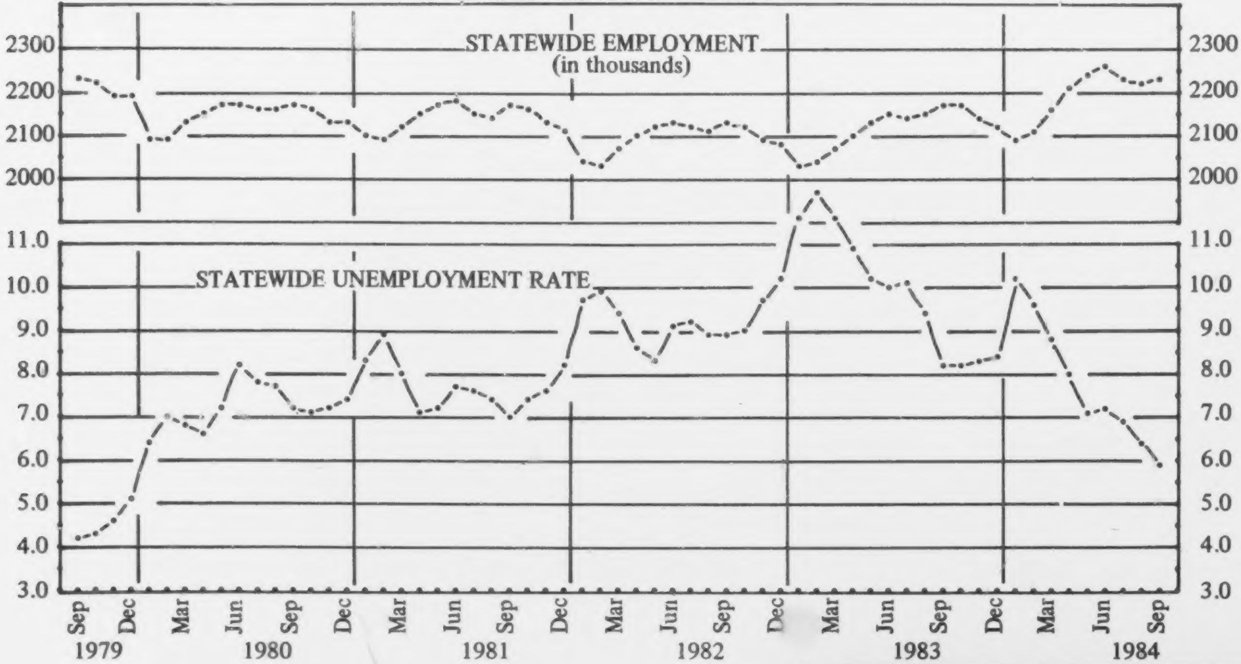

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TABLE 1
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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - SEP 1984 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - AUG 1984 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - SEP 1983 (BENCHMARKED 1983)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2373758	2233768	139990	5.9	2376077	2223642	152435	6.4	2363056	2168910	194146	8.2
ST. LOUIS SMSA	1151878	1070145	81733	7.1	1162403	1075049	87354	7.5	1148918	1042680	106238	9.2
KANSAS CITY SMSA	689804	657740	32064	4.6	698400	660934	37466	5.4	685002	638991	46011	6.7
SPRINGFIELD SMSA	116650	111248	5402	4.6	114223	108821	5402	4.7	114702	107294	7408	6.5
COLUMBIA SMSA	59837	57783	2054	3.4	58363	56253	2110	3.6	55753	53520	2233	4.0
JOPLIN SMSA	58325	55009	3316	5.7	58292	54522	3770	6.5	57898	52733	5165	8.9
ST. JOSEPH SMSA	45344	41735	3609	8.0	45918	42400	3518	7.7	45877	41711	4166	9.1
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	15749	14998	751	4.8	15582	14749	833	5.3	16252	15365	887	5.5
ATCHISON	4458	4163	295	6.6	4384	4045	339	7.7	5481	5286	195	3.6
AUDRAIN	11269	10614	655	5.8	11222	10584	638	5.7	10985	10164	821	7.5
BARRY	11553	11013	540	4.7	11487	10912	575	5.0	11614	10746	868	7.5
BARTON	5100	4973	127	2.5	5153	5012	141	2.7	5121	4867	254	5.0
BATES	7775	7442	333	4.3	7644	7256	388	5.1	8016	7316	700	8.7
BENTON	5588	5272	316	5.7	5449	5159	290	5.3	5517	5056	461	8.4
BOLLINGER	3125	2767	358	11.5	3010	2594	416	13.8	3161	2671	490	15.5
BUTLER	16765	15496	1269	7.6	16300	14977	1323	8.1	15650	13975	1675	10.7
CALDWELL	3778	3604	174	4.6	3597	3394	203	5.6	3877	3605	272	7.0
CALLAWAY	18524	17265	1259	6.8	18484	17163	1321	7.1	20891	19496	1395	6.7
CAMDEN	13869	13235	634	4.6	14567	13940	627	4.3	12271	11528	743	6.1
CAPE GIRARDEAU	31384	29896	1488	4.7	30348	28729	1619	5.3	30987	28992	1995	6.4
CARROLL	4723	4489	234	5.0	4551	4274	277	6.1	4801	4420	381	7.9
CARTER	2692	2395	297	11.0	2722	2454	268	9.8	2883	2580	303	10.5
CEDAR	4506	4229	277	6.1	4471	4196	275	6.2	4633	4217	416	9.0
CHARITON	5156	4848	308	6.0	4976	4663	313	6.3	5054	4618	436	8.6
CLARK	3345	3155	190	5.7	3363	3126	237	7.0	3478	3122	356	10.2
CLINTON	7524	7174	350	4.7	7531	7086	445	5.9	7340	6855	485	6.6
COLE/OSAGE LMA	37066	34839	2227	6.0	37218	34813	2405	6.5	36220	33717	2503	6.9
COOPER	7200	6876	324	4.5	6884	6480	404	5.9	7373	6972	401	5.4
CRAWFORD	7452	6952	500	6.7	7613	7047	566	7.4	7200	6516	684	9.5
DADE	3984	3857	127	3.2	3863	3696	167	4.3	3928	3737	191	4.9
DALLAS	4647	4353	294	6.3	4602	4283	319	6.9	4733	4311	422	8.9
DAVIESS	3156	3000	156	4.9	3089	2914	175	5.7	3125	2760	365	11.7
DEKALB	3412	3258	154	4.5	3325	3130	195	5.9	3388	3171	217	6.4
DENT	5938	5380	558	9.4	5824	5249	575	9.9	6256	5242	1014	16.2
DOUGLAS	4660	4209	451	9.7	4681	4214	467	10.0	4734	4163	571	12.1
DUNKLIN	13532	12396	1136	8.4	13209	11906	1303	9.9	13353	11538	1815	13.6
GASCONADE	7193	6753	440	6.1	7103	6648	455	6.4	7007	6604	403	5.8
GENTRY	4025	3894	131	3.3	3866	3720	146	3.8	4003	3741	262	6.5
GRUNDY	5195	4927	268	5.2	5135	4837	298	5.8	5459	4943	516	9.5
HARRISON	5195	4992	203	3.9	5075	4856	219	4.3	5159	4837	322	6.2
HENRY	9777	9363	414	4.2	9812	9388	424	4.3	9402	8671	731	7.8
HICKORY	2544	2409	135	5.3	2520	2356	164	6.5	2344	2156	188	8.0
HOLT	3626	3474	152	4.2	3485	3333	152	4.4	3527	3380	147	4.2
HOWARD	4622	4440	182	3.9	4536	4315	221	4.9	4756	4492	264	5.6
HOWELL	13257	12110	1147	8.7	13125	12028	1097	8.4	13126	11940	1186	9.0
IRON	4407	3601	806	18.3	4389	3600	789	18.0	4654	3872	782	16.8
JOHNSON	16015	15499	516	3.2	15079	14531	548	3.6	14874	14020	854	5.7
KNOX	2450	2286	164	6.7	2426	2252	174	7.2	2583	2350	233	9.0
LACLEDE	11167	10424	743	6.7	11069	10192	877	7.9	11411	10553	858	7.5
LAFAYETTE	14707	14026	681	4.6	14251	13491	760	5.3	14507	13598	909	6.3
LAWRENCE	12314	11589	725	5.9	12247	11502	745	6.1	11805	10836	969	8.2

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LEWIS	5580	5181	399	7.2	5441	5001	440	8.1	5576	4851	725	13.0
LINCOLN	10302	9614	688	6.7	10404	9710	694	6.7	10442	9551	891	8.5
LINN	7700	7103	597	7.8	7617	7077	540	7.1	8199	7161	1038	12.7
LIVINGSTON	6713	6290	423	6.3	6540	6124	416	6.4	6848	6229	619	9.0
MACON	7102	6692	410	5.8	6809	6398	411	6.0	7061	6506	555	7.9
MADISON	3697	3360	337	9.1	3662	3353	309	8.4	4008	3525	483	12.1
MARIES	2594	2321	273	10.5	2638	2334	304	11.5	2660	2404	256	9.6
MARION/RALLS LMA	18410	17138	1272	6.9	18504	17204	1300	7.0	18883	17019	1864	9.9
MCDONALD	5857	5487	370	6.3	5683	5274	409	7.2	5859	5328	531	9.1
MERCER	1904	1842	62	3.3	1777	1715	62	3.5	2025	1937	88	4.3
MILLER	10833	10124	709	6.5	11133	10388	745	6.7	10366	9489	877	8.5
MISSISSIPPI	6641	6025	616	9.3	6603	5865	738	11.2	6527	5716	811	12.4
MONITEAU	5002	4616	386	7.7	4779	4421	358	7.5	4937	4597	340	6.9
MONROE	4952	4752	200	4.0	4972	4766	206	4.1	4600	4340	260	5.7
MONTGOMERY	5228	4943	285	5.5	5327	4987	340	6.4	5412	5015	397	7.3
MORGAN	6202	5730	472	7.6	6156	5670	486	7.9	5786	5223	563	9.7
NEW MADRID	11790	11008	782	6.6	11611	10727	884	7.6	11180	10246	934	8.4
NODAWAY	10544	10234	310	2.9	10149	9787	362	3.6	10537	10027	510	4.8
OREGON	3105	2813	292	9.4	3041	2714	327	10.8	2888	2585	303	10.5
OZARK	4482	4188	294	6.6	4520	4134	386	8.5	4048	3823	225	5.6
PEMISCOT	8564	7701	863	10.1	8660	7321	1339	15.5	8359	7245	1114	13.3
PERRY	7235	6839	396	5.5	7345	6847	498	6.8	7001	6534	467	6.7
PETTIS	16788	15704	1084	6.5	16427	15309	1118	6.8	16391	14869	1522	9.3
PHELPS	15704	14835	869	5.5	14769	13915	854	5.8	15285	14116	1169	7.6
PIKE	7113	6526	587	8.3	6807	6241	566	8.3	7333	6669	664	9.1
POLK	8740	8273	467	5.3	8366	7845	521	6.2	8515	7997	518	6.1
PULASKI	8890	8270	620	7.0	8965	8232	733	8.2	8871	8035	836	9.4
PUTNAM	3064	2920	144	4.7	2930	2760	170	5.8	3166	2943	223	7.0
RANDOLPH	11547	10965	582	5.0	11445	10810	635	5.5	11523	10562	961	8.3
REYNOLDS	2354	2067	287	12.2	2340	2044	296	12.6	2770	2192	578	20.9
RIPLEY	3240	2938	302	9.3	3072	2741	331	10.8	3312	2786	526	15.9
SALINE	13765	13137	628	4.6	13921	12553	1368	9.8	13939	13175	764	5.5
SCOTLAND	2467	2365	102	4.1	2419	2301	118	4.9	2604	2420	184	7.1
SCOTT	17448	16119	1329	7.6	17072	15561	1511	8.9	17619	15825	1794	10.2
SHANNON	3095	2762	333	10.8	3090	2738	352	11.4	3111	2644	467	15.0
SHELBY	3384	3249	135	4.0	3159	3031	128	4.1	3428	3262	166	4.8
ST. CLAIR	3913	3738	175	4.5	3754	3562	192	5.1	3942	3649	293	7.4
ST. FRANCOIS	20339	18506	1833	9.0	20200	18309	1891	9.4	19724	17389	2335	11.8
STE. GENEVIEVE	5674	5304	370	6.5	5791	5375	416	7.2	5872	5299	573	9.8
STODDARD	12630	11590	1040	8.2	12327	11276	1051	8.5	12551	11162	1389	11.1
STONE	8416	7916	500	5.9	9009	8493	516	5.7	8190	7584	606	7.4
SULLIVAN	3504	3339	165	4.7	3470	3277	193	5.6	3485	3262	223	6.4
TANEY	16017	15362	655	4.1	17344	16671	673	3.9	15036	14260	776	5.2
TEXAS	7918	6961	957	12.1	7596	6719	877	11.5	7826	6917	909	11.6
VERNON	9473	9092	381	4.0	9378	8990	388	4.1	9828	9257	571	5.8
WARREN	6461	6060	401	6.2	6172	5818	354	5.7	5966	5421	545	9.1
WASHINGTON	4550	3797	753	16.5	4554	3724	830	18.2	4608	3588	1020	22.1
WAYNE	4247	3762	485	11.4	4224	3705	519	12.3	4101	3550	551	13.4
WEBSTER	7732	7190	542	7.0	7385	6765	620	8.4	7717	6943	774	10.0
WORTH	1175	1125	50	4.3	1073	1017	56	5.2	1219	1094	125	10.3
WRIGHT	7560	6897	663	8.8	7222	6530	692	9.6	7380	6718	662	9.0

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TABLE 2. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT, HOURS AND EARNINGS
MISSOURI (STATEWIDE)
SEPTEMBER, 1984

INDUSTRY TITLE	ALL EMPLOYEES			PRODUCTION WORKERS								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	1977.3	1955.6	1944.8									
Total Manufacturing	421.4	419.4	408.6	380.43	370.26	368.42	40.3	39.6	40.8	9.44	9.35	9.03
Durable Goods	240.6	238.2	227.6	417.36	402.40	405.87	41.2	40.0	41.5	10.13	10.06	9.78
Lumber & Wood Products	9.6	9.6	8.9	240.73	238.55	222.12	39.4	39.3	38.9	6.11	6.07	5.71
Furniture & Fixtures	9.1	9.3	8.8	329.94	317.05	298.33	43.7	42.5	41.9	7.55	7.46	7.12
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.8	11.0	11.1	418.61	422.42	410.75	40.8	41.7	41.7	10.26	10.13	9.85
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.2	621.19	543.10	517.40	42.9	40.2	39.8	14.48	13.51	13.00
Structural Clay Prod.	2.3	2.4	2.3	457.20	438.75	433.31	40.0	39.0	39.9	11.43	11.25	10.86
Other Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	7.5	7.6	7.6	382.58	402.57	389.66	40.7	42.6	42.4	9.40	9.45	9.19
Primary Metal Industries	13.6	13.7	12.6	403.17	399.90	447.01	37.4	37.2	40.6	10.78	10.75	11.01
Iron & Steel Foundries	2.1	2.1	1.7	347.33	346.39	343.17	40.2	40.8	39.4	8.64	8.49	8.71
Non-Ferrous Foundries	2.7	2.7	2.5	347.71	346.83	332.77	42.3	42.4	41.7	8.22	8.18	7.98
Other Primary Metals	8.8	8.9	8.4	438.69	434.82	515.97	34.9	34.4	40.5	12.57	12.64	12.74
Fabricated Metal Products	28.8	28.6	27.6	381.19	383.76	392.06	40.9	41.0	41.4	9.32	9.36	9.47
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	10.0	9.8	9.9	359.88	375.72	372.01	40.3	41.7	40.5	8.93	9.01	9.21
Other Fabricated Metal Prod.	18.8	18.8	17.7									
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.3	31.4	30.4	391.04	384.54	401.06	39.3	39.0	40.8	9.95	9.86	9.82
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	49.3	49.1	45.4	378.71	362.60	359.68	41.8	40.2	41.2	9.06	9.02	8.73
Transportation Equipment	69.3	66.7	64.2	565.49	536.14	537.11	43.2	40.1	42.9	13.09	13.37	12.52
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	30.7	28.0	26.1	586.49	542.47	555.36	44.6	39.8	44.5	13.15	13.63	12.48
Other Transportation Equip.	38.6	38.7	38.1	529.58	526.58	508.64	40.8	40.6	40.4	12.98	12.97	12.59
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.8	11.8	11.8	321.20	318.37	323.90	40.2	40.3	42.9	7.99	7.90	7.55
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.0	7.0	6.8	263.84	258.82	254.48	38.8	38.4	39.7	6.80	6.74	6.41
Nondurable Goods	180.8	181.2	181.0	333.98	328.77	323.20	39.2	39.0	40.0	8.52	8.43	8.08
Food & Kindred Products	45.3	45.1	45.6	395.65	395.38	381.44	41.0	41.1	43.1	9.65	9.62	8.85
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits and Vegetables	11.9	11.8	11.7	276.98	265.95	295.49	39.4	39.4	43.2	7.03	6.75	6.84
Dairy Products	6.4	6.5	6.4	386.53	380.46	361.99	42.9	42.7	41.8	9.01	8.91	8.66
Grain Mill Products	6.9	6.9	7.4	447.93	447.02	467.63	43.7	43.4	46.3	10.25	10.30	10.10
Bakery Products	5.8	5.7	5.9	386.15	385.39	377.72	37.6	37.2	38.9	10.27	10.36	9.71
Beverages	10.3	10.3	10.1	601.11	609.19	474.65	41.2	42.1	42.8	14.59	14.47	11.09

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	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred Prod.	4.0	3.9	4.1	400.44	420.26	410.08	41.8	41.9	44.0	9.58	10.03	9.32
Textile & Apparel	25.5	25.7	26.1	193.48	192.58	196.79	36.3	36.2	37.2	5.33	5.32	5.29
Paper & Allied Products	12.9	13.1	12.7	374.40	366.71	352.15	41.2	40.7	40.9	9.08	9.01	8.61
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.6	6.6	6.3	373.93	369.65	359.68	40.6	40.8	41.2	9.21	9.06	8.73
Other Paper & Allied Products	6.3	6.5	6.4	373.63	363.78	344.29	41.7	40.6	40.6	8.96	8.96	8.48
Printing & Publishing	38.1	38.2	36.9	382.59	376.94	386.14	39.0	38.7	37.2	9.81	9.74	10.38
Commercial Printing	12.6	12.6	12.0	461.25	446.07	480.57	42.2	40.7	37.9	10.93	10.96	12.68
Other Printing & Publishing	25.5	25.6	24.9	306.59	311.70	304.88	35.9	36.8	36.6	8.54	8.47	8.33
Chemicals & Allied Products	28.1	28.3	27.5	475.25	458.29	425.15	42.7	42.2	42.6	11.13	10.86	9.98
Leather & Leather Products	17.8	18.0	19.4	181.79	174.68	194.93	34.3	33.4	37.2	5.30	5.23	5.24
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.3	14.4	15.1	175.21	171.34	189.37	33.5	33.4	36.7	5.23	5.13	5.16
Other Leather & Leather Prod.	3.5	3.6	4.3	209.81	190.85	212.24	37.6	33.6	38.8	5.58	5.68	5.47
Other Nondurable Goods	13.1	12.8	12.8	303.28	306.53	302.00	40.6	41.2	41.2	7.47	7.44	7.33
Total Nonmanufacturing	1555.9	1536.2	1536.2									
Mining	6.0	6.0	6.6									
Construction	81.9	83.0	81.0									
Transportation & Public Util.	137.2	135.7	132.3									
Railroad Transportation	13.4	13.4	13.3									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	66.7	65.1	66.3									
Communication, Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	57.1	57.2	52.7									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	467.2	466.8	460.7									
Wholesale Trade	126.7	126.6	125.1									
Retail Trade	340.5	340.2	335.6									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	109.8	110.7	110.4									
Services	418.6	420.3	416.4									
Government	335.2	313.7	328.8									
Federal Government	69.7	70.4	68.5									
State & Local Government	265.5	243.3	260.3									

Prepared by the Missouri Division of Employment Security in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Estimates are based on monthly reports from cooperating establishments.

Data cover employees who worked or received pay for the payroll period which includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers or unpaid family workers, and domestic workers. Payroll and hours data cover production and related workers in manufacturing.

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Total employment – the estimate of the number of employed residents in the state -- is up by nearly 65,000 from the year earlier, but the growth of the labor force continues to be surprisingly slow. As of September, the civilian labor force estimate for the state was only about 10,700 larger than in the previous September. Because of this slow growth, the gain of nearly 65,000 in total employment translated into a decrease of unemployment of more than 54,000. In other words, in the past 12 months, estimated employment growth has been sufficient to absorb the small growth in the labor force and simultaneously decrease the jobless total significantly.

The factory workweek climbed by seven-tenths of an hour to 40.3 hours in September. Average hourly earnings were also up, increasing by 9 cents to $9.44. As a result, average weekly earnings climbed by $10.17 to $380.43. This represents a gain of 3.3 percent from September 1983, when the early phases of the recovery had quickly forced the workweek up to 40.8 hours. Average hourly earnings have climbed by 4.5 percent in the same period.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

The rate of growth inflation-adjusted gross national product slowed markedly in third quarter, dropping from a 7.1 percent annual rate in the second quarter to a 2.7 percent rate in the third quarter. Although a slowdown had been seen as inevitable, possibly even beneficial, the rate of slowing was sharper than expected. Growth in consumer spending had been essentially flat in the third quarter, and a rebound which began in September is expected to buoy the economy in the final months of the year.

The economic slowdown in the third quarter appears to have been reflected in the nation's labor markets, as seasonally adjusted total employment grew by only 55,000 in the period, and the unemployment rate remained unchanged at 7.5 percent. Nonfarm payroll employment, on the other hand, increased by 728,000 jobs between the second and third quarters. This measure of employment seems to have caught up with the total employment measure; both have now grown by about 6 million since the end of the recession in late 1982.

OUTLOOK

With economic growth occurring at a slower rate and the seasonal improvements now behind us, the next few months should see Missouri employment gradually edging down and unemployment starting to edge up. Little change, other than seasonal, is expected in the short run.

TABLE 3. SELECTED ECONOMIC STATISTICS RELATED TO MANPOWER DEVELOPMENTS MISSOURI – SEPTEMBER, 1984

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1 Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From: 1 Mo. Ago	Net Change To Current Month From: 1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,373,800	2,376,000	2,363,000	-2,200	10,800
Total Employed	2,233,800	2,223,600	2,168,900	10,200	64,900
Total Unemployed	140.000	152,400	194,100	-12,400	-54,100
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	5.9	6.4	8.2	-0.5	-2.3
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment					
Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	1,977,300	1,955,600	1,944,800	21,700	32,500
Manufacturing	421,400	419,400	408,600	2,000	12,800
Durable Goods	240,600	238,200	227,600	2,[illegible]	13,000
Nondurable Goods	180,800	181,200	181,000	-400	-200
Nonmanufacturing	1,555,900	1,536,200	1,536,200	19,700	19,700
State Initial Claims (Wkly. Avg.)	5,676	8,396	6,984	-2,720	-1,308
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly. Avg.) .	32,172	43,599	47,807	-11,427	-15,635
Insured Unemployment Rate	1.9	2.4	2.7	-0.5	-0.8
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	2,913	3,671	5,120	-758	-2,207
Amount of Benefits Paid	$10,160,269	$13,036,040	$13,853,494	-$2,875,771	-$3,693,225
State U.I.	9,915,859	12,733,750	13,488,303	-2,817,891	-3,572,444
UCFE	121,755	155,368	146,370	-33,613	-24,615
UCX	122,655	146,922	218,821	-24,267	-96,166

Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

KANSAS CITY LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The Kansas City Area includes Jackson, Clay, Cass, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson and Wyandotte counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the Area has been published at 1,327,020 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

SEPTEMBER, 1984

FRANCIENA KING, ANALYST

The Area's unemployment rate dipped below five per cent in September 1984. The rate at 4.6 per cent was at its lowest since 1979. The reopening of Area schools and the return to work of many nonfaculty school personnel and school bus operators were the factors responsible for September's lower rate and lower unemployment. The withdrawal of summer job seekers from the work force contributed to the decline in the number of jobless and the shrinkage in the overall civilian labor force. Total civilian employment, by place-of-residence, also declined over the month, continuing the downward trend which began in June. In contrast to the total civilian employment, which declined by 3,200, nonagricultural wage and salaried employment edged up by almost six thousand. Compared to last year's levels in September both employment series showed a gain of roughly equal amounts - 18,500 for payroll employment in the Area and 18,800 for place-of-residence civilian employment. The civilian labor force was up moderately over the 1983 level, while unemployment was down substantially by 13,900 over-the-year.

Wage and salaried employment in September 1984 was 633,800, up by 5,900 from the August 1983 total of 627,900. The increase occurred primarily as a result of seasonal labor movements in nonmanufacturing. The reopening of Area schools accounted for a gain of 6,200 jobs in state and local government. A gain of 700 jobs in transportation and utilities was produced by additional jobs in school bus operations. Elsewhere in the service producing sector, construction continued its upward but slower growth rate with an additional 200 jobs. Minor seasonal job changes were recorded in wholesale trade, and federal government. A decline of 1,400 in services reflected the seasonal loss of jobs in recreation and hotels. The only other change in nonmanufacturing was a moderate decline in finance, insurance and real estate - a loss typical of the industry at this time of the year.

In manufacturing, employment had a net increase of 500. The return of automobile assemblers, who were laid off after the August plant shutdown for retooling, accounted for 600 of the total 1,100 jobs gained in the goods producing sector. Minor job gains in fabricated metals, electrical equipment, food and apparel accounted for the remaining job gains. Printing and publishing showed its normal loss during this time of year. These gains were offset by minor losses in machinery, stone, clay and glass, chemicals and other durables.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 18,500 from September 1983 to September 1984, with employment gains of 3,700 in durable goods manufacturing, 2,100 in nondurable goods manufacturing and 12,700 in nonmanufacturing. State and local government, primarily schools, showed the largest over-the-year gain, with 3,400 additional jobs. Construction with 2,900 jobs, finance, insurance and real estate with 2,000 jobs, predominantly in the real estate, credit and insurance sectors, services with 1,600 jobs and wholesale trade with another 1,600 jobs were other major employment gainers within the nonmanufacturing sector. The auto assembly industry, electrical equipment and printing and publishing, with a combined increase of 4,600 or 50 per cent of the total manufacturing increase, topped the list of the biggest gainers in manufacturing. The only losses recorded over last year's levels were in manufacturing; machinery lost 700 jobs, and stone, clay and glass and food each lost 100 jobs.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 32,100 in September 1984 for 4.6 per cent of the labor force, compared to 37,[illegible]00 in August 1984 for 5.4 per cent of the labor force and 46,000 in September 1983 for 6.7 per cent of the labor force.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT FORECAST

The Area's unemployment rate is expected to show little change in October 1984. Construction employment is expected to taper off. Employment in the service producing sector will show a significant drop over the month. Wholesale and retail trade will begin to pick up as it normally does at this time of the year in preparation for the holiday buying season. Some automobile assemblers may be temporarily laid off due to a lack of parts as a result of strikes elsewhere in the economy. Unemployment is expected to be 4.6 per cent of the labor force in October 1984, compared to 4.6 per cent in September and 6.6 per cent in October 1983.

In November 1984, the unemployment rate may edge down sligthly as the anticipated increased activity in retail trade and the moderate slow down in construction activity will partially offset the substantial losses in services. Unemployment is expected to be 4.4 per cent of the labor force in November 1984, compared to 6.4 per cent in November 1983.

KANSAS CITY AREA-
MISSOURI JOB SERVICE STATISTICS

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 29,195 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of June 1984. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	16.1
	22-44	67.5
	45 and over	16.4
Sex:	Male	60.0
	Female	40.0
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	33.0
	Other Non-White	1.1
	Hispanic	2.0

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	51.0
Veterans	21.7
Handicapped	2.8

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated September 30, 1984.

JOB PLACEMENTS

During September 1984, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,805 and job placements totaled 2,825. There were 1,390 veteran referrals in September 1984, with 301 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated September 30, 1984.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED IN THE KANSAS CITY AREA (MISSOURI SIDE ONLY)
SEPTEMBER, 1984

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.5	16.7	16.1
25-34	38.9	34.8	36.9
35-44	22.6	22.9	22.3
45-54	13.1	14.4	13.7
55-64	9.0	9.5	9.2
65 and over	0.6	1.6	1.2
Unreported	0.3	0.1	0.6

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agriculture	0.5
Mining	0.2
Construction	5.6
Manufacturing	24.0
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	4.6
Wholesale & Retail Trade	19.5
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.7
Services	33.0
All Other	8.9
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	14.8
Clerical	20.1
Sales	3.9
Services	15.6
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	0.6
Processing	2.2
Machine Trades	5.7
Bench Work	5.0
Structural Work	8.7
Miscellaneous	14.8
Information not available	8.6

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 5,261; 2,808 were male and 2,446 were female.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK - March 1983)

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas Month and Year of Current Data September, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	633,800	627,900	615,300	+5,900	+18,500
Total Manufacturing	117,200	116,700	111,400	+500	+5,800
Durable Goods	67,500	66,900	63,800	+600	+3,700
Lumber & Furniture	2,900	2,900	2,700	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,800	3,900	3,900	-100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	3,600	3,600	3,200	0	+400
Fabricated Metal Products	9,500	9,400	9,000	+100	+500
Machinery Except Electrical	8,000	8,100	8,700	-100	-700
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,800	21,600	10,100	+200	+1,700
Transportation Equipment	14,300	13,700	12,600	+600	+1,700
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,100)	(13,500)	(12,400)	(+600)	(+1,700)
Other Durable Goods	3,600	3,700	3,600	-100	0
Nondurable Goods	49,700	49,800	47,600	-100	+2,100
Food & Kindred Products	9,300	9,200	9,400	+100	-100
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,700	2,600	2,300	+100	+400
Paper & Allied Products	5,100	5,100	5,000	0	+100
Printing & Publishing	18,800	19,000	17,600	-200	+1,200
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,500	8,600	8,200	-100	+300
Petroleum & Coal Products	500	500	500	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,800	4,800	4,600	0	+200
Total Nonmanufacturing	516,600	511,200	503,900	+5,400	+12,700
Mining & Quarrying	600	600	500	0	+100
Construction	27,300	27,100	24,400	+200	+2,900
Transportation & Utilities	50,500	49,800	50,200	+700	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	160,900	160,800	158,900	+100	+2,000
Wholesale Trade	(52,900)	(52,800)	(51,300)	(+100)	(+1,600)
Retail Trade	(108,000)	(108,000)	(107,600)	(0)	(+400)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	49,200	49,500	47,200	-300	+2,000
Services	139,900	141,300	138,300	-1,400	+1,600
Government	88,200	82,100	84,400	+6,100	+3,800
Federal Government	(23,500)	(23,600)	(23,100)	(-100)	(+400)
State & Local Government	(64,700)	(58,500)	(61,300)	(+6,200)	(+3,400)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	200	100	-100	0

Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

TABLE 2. PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas Month and Year of Current Data September, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$436.72	$424.66	$414.06	41.2	40.1	41.2	$10.60	$10.59	$10.05
DURABLE GOODS	464.84	446.16	446.84	41.1	39.8	41.8	11.31	11.21	10.69
Lumber & Furniture	332.22	321.55	306.54	42.0	40.6	39.1	7.91	7.92	7.84
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	492.96	521.53	488.31	39.0	39.6	41.7	12.64	13.17	11.71
Primary Metal Industries	404.64	402.15	409.11	38.5	38.3	39.3	10.51	10.50	10.41
Fabricated Metal Products	366.80	365.48	358.15	40.0	39.9	39.4	9.17	9.16	9.09
Machinery Exc. Electrical	412.51	412.52	417.99	39.1	39.4	40.7	10.55	10.47	10.27
Elect. Equip. & Supplies	470.05	456.29	416.22	42.5	41.9	42.0	11.06	10.89	9.91
Transportation Equipment	603.08	538.08	616.53	42.5	38.0	45.4	14.19	14.16	13.58
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(606.05)	(541.50)	(624.26)	(42.5)	(38.0)	(45.6)	(14.26)	(14.25)	(13.69)
Other Durable Goods	239.02	242.41	215.92	37.0	37.7	37.1	6.46	6.43	5.82
NONDURABLE GOODS	386.26	388.01	358.58	41.4	40.8	40.2	9.33	9.51	8.92
Food & Kindred Products	418.47	444.78	404.98	43.5	42.0	42.9	9.62	10.59	9.44
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	200.28	191.86	200.93	35.7	34.2	36.8	5.61	5.61	5.46
Paper & Allied Products	382.39	365.98	360.96	42.3	40.8	41.3	9.04	8.97	8.74
Printing & Publishing	406.91	413.12	375.73	38.1	38.9	37.8	10.68	10.62	9.94
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	482.40	470.55	432.80	45.0	44.1	40.0	10.72	10.67	10.82
Petroleum & Coal Prod.	408.43	366.45	306.28	42.5	41.5	40.3	9.61	8.83	7.60
Other Nondurable Goods	287.73	284.01	264.45	42.5	42.2	41.0	6.77	6.73	6.45

*This series excludes industry 2771.

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ST. LOUIS LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe and St. Clair Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,355,276 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

SEPTEMBER, 1984

RUSSELL SIGNORINO, ANALYST

AREA LABOR FORCE DEVELOPMENTS

The St. Louis SMSA experienced a seasonal decline in its unemployment rate from August to September. The rate was 7.5% in August and 7.1% in September. The traditional exit of students from the labor force in September, because of the beginning of a new school year, occurred this year and caused employment (-4800) and unemployment (-5700) to both decline. During the first 6 months of 1984, the unemployment rate declined from 10.6% in January to 8.2% in June. Since that time, the rate has dropped but the decline was mainly due to normal seasonal variations. In early 1984, this year's average unemployment rate was expected to by 8.0%. But because of the leveling off of labor market activity that occurred during the 3rd. quarter, and the expected continuation of this trend during the 4th. quarter, the 1984 average unemployment rate will be about 8.3%. Over the year, unemployment declined by 24,500 and employment increased by 27,500. The September 1983 unemployment rate was 9.2%. The civilian labor force grew by only 3000 (+0.3%) since September of last year. There were 200 labor disputants in September, 2100 in August, and 400 in September 1983.

MANUFACTURING

Manufacturing employment declined by 100 over the month. Electrical equipment (+200), textiles (+100), printing (+100), and other nondurables (+300) were the only manufacturing industries that registered gains since August. All other industries showed small declines or remained unchanged. Over the year, manufacturing employment increased by 6900. Major gains have occurred in motor vehicles (3900), nonelectrical machinery (+1200), and aircraft (+1000). Other industries registering gains over September 1983 levels are primary and fabricated metals, printing, and chemicals. Food and kindred products (-700) and leather products (-400) still have not even recovered to last year's recession levels.

NONMANUFACTURING

Nonmanufacturing employment increased 8500 over the month. The beginning of a new school year caused seasonal employment increases in transportation (+1100) and government (+6700). Private contractors who supply and operate school busses for various school districts in the area added bus drivers to their payrolls in September and caused the transportation industry increase. Non-teaching school personnel were recalled to work in the public schools and caused government employment to increase accordingly. Construction employment, which usually begins its seasonal decline in September, increased by 900. A strike affecting 2000 Illinois construction laborers in August was settled and their return to work in September caused the construction increase. Finance, insurance and real estate was down by 500 because of the traditional September decline in real estate activity. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 20300 workers. Trade (+7800), construction (+6200), and services (+2500) continue to be responsible for the majority of this increase.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND MANPOWER RESOURCES

State UI continued claimants in the SMSA were down 2100 in September from August 1984. In the Missouri portion of the SMSA they were down 1800 and in the Illinois portion they were down 300.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
INA	1	0	0	0
Agriculture	19	14	18	14
Mining	156	117	90	107
Construction	1210	733	742	734
Manufacturing Total	3014	2982	3314	2912
Food	273	310	261	255
Textile	24	24	23	27
Apparel	207	255	213	213
Lumber	28	60	22	25
Furniture	97	141	91	83
Paper	108	100	121	97
Printing	128	127	147	126
Chemicals	228	164	145	169
Petroleum	15	18	27	37
Rubber	102	110	117	108
Leather	328	334	265	261
Stone	47	42	34	32
Primary Metal	292	227	234	221
Fabricated Metal	370	329	410	342
Machinery	83	75	74	99
Electrical Machinery	158	143	179	206
Transportation Equip.	148	150	582	226
Instruments	14	14	29	18
Miscellaneous	361	356	339	365
Public Utilities	697	745	785	439
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2094	2047	2178	1834
Finance	286	278	289	284
Services	5160	4589	6087	5031
All Other	265	274	271	217
TOTAL	12902	12679	13774	11572

Of the 11,572 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in September, 1984, 52.6 percent were male and 47.4 percent were female.

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	June	July	Aug.	Sept.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1574	1585	1724	1661
Clerical	2217	2061	2102	2075
Sales	628	543	575	556
Farm, Fish & Forest	48	55	74	61
Processing	224	225	223	246
Machine Trades	852	797	857	816
Bench Work	686	678	683	702
Structural Work	1085	841	843	793
Misc. Work	1503	1621	1638	1332
Domestic	42	65	67	40
Other Services	2122	2268	2417	2004
INA	1921	1940	2571	1286
TOTAL	12902	12679	13774	11572

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Minority	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	47.2	15.4	20.9	44.1	2.2
Placements, %	44.6	13.8	34.0	46.8	2.3

AVAILABLE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The occupational percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	6.7	1.7
Clerical	19.1	13.8
Sales	17.8	26.3
Processing	1.2	1.4
Machine Trades	5.0	5.2
Bench Work	2.9	3.6
Structural Work	5.4	6.0
Motor Freight & Transportation	3.2	2.7
Packaging & Material Handling	9.5	14.0
Domestic	1.1	1.2
Other Services	26.8	23.0
Other Occupations	1.3	1.1

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

The unemployment rate for October is expected to be 7.0% and in November 7.1%.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area
Month and Year of Current Data: September, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change to Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,026,200	1,017,800	999,000	+8,400	+27,200
Percent Change				+(0.8)	+(2.7)
Manufacturing	224,100	224,200	217,200	-100	+6,900
Durable Goods	140,600	141,200	133,700	-600	+6,900
Lumber & Furniture	4,400	4,500	4,600	-100	-200
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,400	3,400	3,600	0	-200
Primary Metal Industries	14,900	15,000	14,200	-100	+700
Fabricated Metal Products	17,400	17,500	16,800	-100	+600
Machinery, Except Electrical	19,000	19,000	17,800	0	+1,200
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	13,800	13,600	13,500	+200	+300
Transportation Equipment	55,500	56,000	51,000	-500	+4,500
Motor Vehicles	19,000	19,200	15,100	-200	+3,900
Aircraft & Parts	35,400	35,500	34,400	-100	+1,000
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,200	12,200	12,200	0	0
Nondurable Goods	83,500	83,000	83,500	+500	0
Food & Kindred Products	21,100	21,100	21,800	0	-700
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,400	0	-200
Beverages	8,600	8,600	8,600	0	0
Textiles & Apparel	6,900	6,800	7,000	+100	-100
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,700	0	0
Printing & Publishing	15,700	15,600	15,000	+100	+700
Chemical & Allied Products	20,800	20,800	20,400	0	+400
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,600	2,600	2,600	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	5,500	5,500	5,900	0	-400
Other Nondurable Goods	5,200	4,900	5,100	+300	+100
Nonmanufacturing	802,100	793,600	781,800	+8,500	+20,300
Mining	3,900	3,900	3,400	0	+500
Construction	53,600	52,700	47,400	+900	+6,200
Transportation & Public Utilities	72,900	71,800	71,500	+1,100	+1,400
Railroads	7,700	7,700	7,600	0	+100
Transportation, Except Railroads	37,300	36,100	36,300	+1,200	+1,000
Communications & Public Utilities	27,900	28,000	27,600	-100	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	239,000	238,700	231,200	+300	+7,800
Wholesale Trade	63,000	63,100	61,000	-100	+2,000
Retail Trade	176,000	175,600	170,200	+400	+5,800
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	59,700	60,200	59,300	-500	+400
Service, Except Domestic	236,500	236,500	234,000	0	+2,500
Total Government	136,500	129,800	135,000	+6,700	+1,500
Total Federal Government	38,100	38,300	37,400	-200	+700
Total State & Local Government	98,400	91,500	97,600	+6,900	+800
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	200	2,100	400	+1,900	-200

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TABLE 2. AVERAGE HOURS & EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State St. Louis Metropolitan Area Month and Year of Current Data September, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$439.67	$431.82	$415.13	40.3	39.4	40.5	10.91	10.96	10.25
DURABLE GOODS	455.43	444.83	428.98	40.7	39.4	40.7	11.19	11.29	10.54
Lumber & Furniture	353.56	325.62	306.36	42.7	40.2	40.1	8.28	8.10	7.64
Stone, Clay & Glass	401.39	428.64	420.56	39.9	41.9	40.4	10.06	10.23	10.41
Primary Metal Industries	430.92	437.00	442.00	38.0	38.0	40.0	11.34	11.50	11.05
Fabricated Metal Products	410.10	415.11	408.70	39.7	41.1	41.2	10.33	10.10	9.92
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	433.62	418.95	427.46	39.6	38.9	41.3	10.95	10.77	10.35
Elect. & Electronic Equip.	312.00	316.38	284.90	39.0	39.4	38.5	8.00	8.03	7.40
Transportation Equipment	591.30	559.19	532.06	43.8	39.8	41.6	13.50	14.05	12.79
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	274.16	279.75	302.23	37.2	37.3	39.2	7.37	7.50	7.71
NONDURABLE GOODS	414.32	411.20	395.11	39.8	39.5	40.4	10.41	10.41	9.78
Food & Kindred Products	523.27	516.03	456.68	41.3	40.6	42.8	12.67	12.71	10.67
Textiles & Apparel	201.47	196.54	206.23	35.1	34.3	36.5	5.74	5.73	5.65
Paper & Paper Products	427.20	423.27	408.92	41.8	42.2	42.2	10.22	10.03	9.69
Printing & Publishing	409.43	413.18	420.29	38.3	38.4	36.9	10.69	10.76	11.39
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	467.58	543.58	447.20	41.6	40.9	41.6	11.25	11.09	10.75
Petroleum & Coal Products	590.10	595.16	626.12	42.0	42.3	44.0	14.05	14.07	14.23
Leather & Leather Products	198.02	185.61	208.43	36.4	34.5	39.7	5.44	5.38	5.25
Other Nondurable Goods	304.50	319.66	303.28	39.7	41.3	40.6	7.67	7.74	7.47

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SPRINGFIELD LABOR MARKET REVIEW
(GREEN AND CHRISTIAN COUNTIES)
SEPTEMBER, 1984

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AREA LABOR FORCE DEVELOPMENTS

The number of unemployed workers in the Springfield area, estimated at 5,400 for September, shows no change from August. The percentage of the labor force unemployed edged downward from 4.7 percent in August to 4.6 percent in September. This slight drop is in response to an expanding labor force.

During September 1983, there were 7,400 persons out of work and the rate of unemployment stood at 6.5 percent.

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

Payrolled employment rose 2,300 from August to reach 93,700 in September. Most of the jump was due to seasonal changes such as the 1,700 job increase in state and local government by schools opening for the fall term. There were also significant seasonal increases in both retail trade and services during the month. Construction recorded a drop of 100 during the 30 days. In the manufacturing sector, small scattered losses accumulated to a total of 300 during the month.

Since September 1983, payrolled employment increased by 2,000. Manufacturing employment rose 1,000 to reach the current total of 19,800. During the same 12 month period, jobs in the nonmanufacturing sector were also up 1,000.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers fell from $8.27 in August to $8.22 in September this drop was fostered by an increase in the proportion of lower paid workers and less overtime worked in some nondurable manufacturing industries. Average weekly hours worked increased 1.8 hours from August to reach 41.8 in September.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

Very little change in nonagricultural wage and salaried employment is expected during October. Seasonal influences will give retail trade jobs a slight boost in October with larger increases to occur in November as Christmas draws nearer. Manufacturing jobs will show some reductions during the fall months. The late October lay-offs will not lower that months totals but will be included in the November count.

The rate of unemployment is expected to remain near the current level during October. A seasonal up trend will start during November.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK- March, 1983)

Area and State Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current Data September, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary Employment (Exc. Domestics)	93,700	91,400	91,700	+2,300	+2,000
Manufacturing	19,800	20,100	18,800	-300	+1,000
Durable Goods	10,600	10,800	9,800	-200	+800
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	800	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	9,700	9,900	9,000	-200	+700
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,300	9,000	-100	+200
Food Processing	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,500	0	+100
Other Nondurable Goods	3,700	3,800	3,500	-100	+200
Nonmanufacturing	73,900	71,300	72,900	+2,600	+1,000
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,700	3,800	3,400	-100	+300
Transportation & Utilities	6,000	5,900	6,100	+100	-100
Trade	26,400	26,200	25,700	+200	+700
Finane, Insurance & Real Estate	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0
Services	22,300	21,600	22,200	+700	+100
Government	11,600	9,900	11,600	+1,700	0
Federal	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
State and Local	10,000	8,300	10,000	+1,700	0
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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TABLE 2. GROSS AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

Area and State Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current Data September, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X
Manufacturing	$343.60	$322.53	$332.09	41.8	39.0	40.4	$8.22	$8.27	$8.22
Durable Goods	350.41	312.04	326.82	44.3	39.3	40.7	7.91	7.94	8.03
Nondurable Goods	333.49	338.03	338.80	38.2	38.5	40.0	8.73	8.78	8.47
Food & Kindred Products	364.72	366.03	375.90	40.3	39.7	42.0	9.05	9.22	8.95
Other Nondurable Goods	316.83	321.30	318.20	37.1	37.8	38.9	8.54	8.50	8.18

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS – DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

INCLUDES CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR ALL AREAS PLUS LABOR MARKET REVIEWS FOR THE STATE AND THE ST. LOUIS, KANSAS CITY, AND SPRINGFIELD SMSA'S

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MISSOURI LABOR MARKET REVIEW

BILL NIBLACK, LABOR ECONOMIST **RANDALL CLARK, ANALYST** **DATA MONTH: OCTOBER, 1984**

Missouri unemployment dropped further in October, the month which usually marks the beginning of several months of seasonal increases. The number of jobless Missourians decreased by 2400 to 138,800, and the unemployment rate edged down by a tenth of a point to 5.9 percent. Total employment also slipped back a little, but by less than the seasonally expected amount. About 2,227,500 Missourians were employed in October, some 4200 fewer than in October. When seasonal factors are taken into account, it appears that some improvement occurred in October, after a few months of relative stability. Comparison to year-earlier data continue to show marked improvement. Total employment is up by more than 60,000 over the period; since the labor force grew by only 6700, most of the increase was translated directly into a drop in unemployment, which is down by nearly 54,000. The unemployment rate fell by 2.3 percentage points from October 1983's rate of 8.2 percent.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment edged up by 1300 in October, primarily on the strength of a greater-than-normal increase in state and local government. Altogether, there were about 1,977,100 nonfarm payroll jobs in the state in October, compared to 1,975,800 in September. The largest increase over the month was in state and local government, where employment was up by 8200 jobs. Although part of this is seasonal, with the fall term in the schools fully underway, this sector also showed an over-the-year gain of 6200 jobs. Several industry groups showed seasonal decreases; retail trade was down by 2800 jobs, services by

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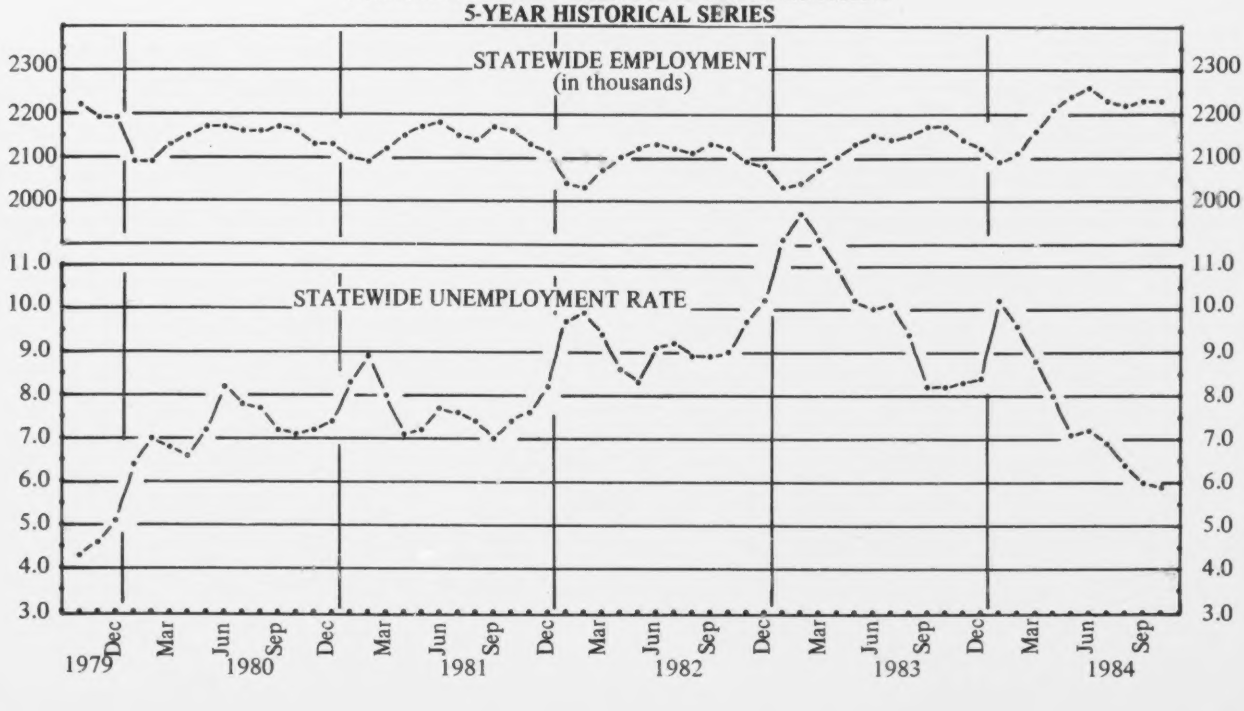

TABLE 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - OCT 1984 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - SEP 1984 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - OCT 1983 (BENCHMARKED 1983)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2366297	2227546	138751	5.9	2372893	2231704	141189	6.0	2359590	2166858	192732	8.2
ST. LOUIS SMSA	1151541	1070414	81127	7.0	1153447	1071311	82136	7.1	1144349	1040590	103759	9.1
KANSAS CITY SMSA	692388	659071	33317	4.8	691455	658371	33084	4.8	688056	642623	45433	6.6
SPRINGFIELD SMSA	115961	110710	5251	4.5	115776	110391	5385	4.7	114636	107371	7265	6.3
COLUMBIA SMSA	60142	58191	1951	3.2	59817	57754	2063	3.4	56454	54154	2300	4.1
JOPLIN SMSA	58461	55271	3190	5.5	58291	54948	3343	5.7	57787	52708	5079	8.8
ST. JOSEPH SMSA	45052	41618	3434	7.6	45171	41558	3613	8.0	45574	41584	3990	8.8
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16104	15363	741	4.6	15800	15050	750	4.7	16670	15769	901	5.4
ATCHISON	4278	4035	243	5.7	4444	4151	293	6.6	5417	5194	223	4.1
AUDRAIN	11335	10648	687	6.1	11250	10595	655	5.8	10973	10155	818	7.5
BARRY	11443	10921	522	4.6	11562	11016	546	4.7	11565	10662	903	7.8
BARTON	5124	4956	168	3.3	5095	4965	130	2.6	5107	4832	275	5.4
BATES	7741	7382	359	4.6	7783	7453	330	4.2	7812	7196	616	7.9
BENTON	5576	5273	303	5.4	5579	5263	316	5.7	5366	4896	470	8.8
BOLLINGER	3131	2760	371	11.8	3119	2762	357	11.4	3136	2695	441	14.1
BUTLER	16806	15475	1331	7.9	16781	15507	1274	7.6	15814	14013	1801	11.4
CALDWELL	3729	3520	209	5.6	3769	3598	171	4.5	3747	3508	239	6.4
CALLAWAY	18596	17439	1157	6.2	18660	17409	1251	6.7	20744	19391	1353	6.5
CAMDEN	12912	12230	682	5.3	13854	13223	631	4.6	11531	10694	837	7.3
CAPE GIRARDEAU	31426	30037	1389	4.4	31176	29698	1478	4.7	31320	29228	2092	6.7
CARROLL	4723	4442	281	5.9	4724	4482	242	5.1	4702	4352	350	7.4
CARTER	2651	2380	271	10.2	2686	2391	295	11.0	2753	2476	277	10.1
CEDAR	4499	4231	268	6.0	4502	4222	280	6.2	4459	4109	350	7.8
CHARITON	5205	4858	347	6.7	5149	4840	309	6.0	4974	4566	408	8.2
CLARK	3411	3109	302	8.9	3338	3150	188	5.6	3446	3092	354	10.3
CLINTON	7318	6933	385	5.3	7484	7133	351	4.7	7334	6857	477	6.5
COLE/OSAGE LMA	36924	34736	2188	5.9	37043	34816	2227	6.0	36250	33763	2487	6.9
COOPER	7043	6681	362	5.1	7164	6834	330	4.6	7293	6883	410	5.6
CRAWFORD	7349	6865	484	6.6	7446	6940	506	6.8	7123	6444	679	9.5
DADE	3881	3770	111	2.9	3944	3822	122	3.1	3848	3667	181	4.7
DALLAS	4723	4471	252	5.3	4738	4455	283	6.0	4701	4287	414	8.8
DAVIESS	3162	2985	177	5.6	3144	2989	155	4.9	3072	2735	337	11.0
DEKALB	3453	3282	171	5.0	3408	3253	155	4.5	3331	3127	204	6.1
DENT	6043	5493	550	9.1	5928	5360	568	9.6	6067	5314	753	12.4
DOUGLAS	4643	4118	525	11.3	4664	4202	462	9.9	4580	4147	433	9.5
DUNKLIN	13260	12009	1251	9.4	13521	12373	1148	8.5	13328	11605	1723	12.9
GASCONADE	7107	6749	358	5.0	7204	6756	448	6.2	6920	6487	433	6.3
GENTRY	4079	3965	114	2.8	4020	3888	132	3.3	4191	3908	233	6.8
GRUNDY	5317	4933	384	7.2	5192	4923	269	5.2	5369	4878	491	9.1
HARRISON	5182	4976	206	4.0	5218	5007	211	4.0	5095	4741	354	6.9
HENRY	9742	9243	499	5.1	9801	9382	419	4.3	9385	8606	779	8.3
HICKORY	2509	2363	146	5.8	2542	2405	137	5.4	2318	2108	210	9.1
HOLT	3496	3379	117	3.3	3619	3468	151	4.2	3418	3303	115	3.4
HOWARD	4645	4449	196	4.2	4620	4432	188	4.1	4676	4426	250	5.3
HOWELL	13111	12160	951	7.3	13241	12095	1146	8.7	13373	12151	1222	9.1
IRON	4403	3666	737	16.7	4438	3631	807	18.2	4588	3984	604	13.2
JOHNSON	16951	16326	625	3.7	16163	15645	518	3.2	16153	15304	849	5.3
KNOX	2455	2311	144	5.9	2445	2282	163	6.7	2607	2386	221	8.5
LACLEDE	11293	10300	993	8.8	11140	10388	752	6.8	11290	10484	806	7.1
LAFAYETTE	14558	13876	682	4.7	14672	13996	676	4.6	14420	13477	943	6.5
LAWRENCE	12128	11444	684	5.6	12239	11514	725	5.9	11802	10749	1053	8.9

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5565	5174	391	7.0	5567	5172	395	7.1	5397	4733	664	12.3
LINCOLN	10505	9873	632	6.0	10334	9645	689	6.7	10280	9385	895	8.7
LINN	7705	7012	693	9.0	7685	7091	594	7.7	8169	7074	1095	13.4
LIVINGSTON	6802	6374	428	6.3	6728	6298	430	6.4	6901	6345	556	8.1
MACON	7148	6778	370	5.2	7087	6681	406	5.7	7017	6468	549	7.8
MADISON	3744	3391	353	9.4	3689	3354	335	9.1	4042	3601	441	10.9
MARIES	2618	2392	226	8.6	2577	2302	275	10.7	2694	2428	266	9.9
MARION/RALLS LMA	18203	17099	1104	6.1	18424	17163	1261	6.8	18765	16956	1809	9.6
MCDONALD	5631	5252	379	6.7	5844	5477	367	6.3	5751	5210	541	9.4
MERCER	1866	1778	88	4.7	1902	1839	63	3.3	1953	1834	119	6.1
MILLER	10277	9476	801	7.8	10816	10107	709	6.6	10174	9189	985	9.7
MISSISSIPPI	6386	5816	570	8.9	6643	6033	610	9.2	6605	5789	816	12.4
MONITEAU	4887	4496	391	8.0	4917	4532	385	7.8	4927	4556	371	7.5
MONROE	4695	4480	215	4.6	4949	4744	205	4.1	4628	4386	242	5.2
MONTGOMERY	5263	4940	323	6.1	5226	4935	291	5.6	5355	4920	435	8.1
MORGAN	5759	5222	537	9.3	6122	5657	465	7.6	5528	4962	566	10.2
NEW MADRID	11486	10738	748	6.5	11822	11039	783	6.6	11213	10318	895	8.0
NODAWAY	10978	10543	435	4.0	10525	10217	308	2.9	10832	10326	506	4.7
OREGON	3117	2812	305	9.8	3116	2825	291	9.3	3015	2699	316	10.5
OZARK	4270	3999	271	6.3	4476	4181	295	6.6	3948	3652	296	7.5
PEMISCOT	8197	7469	728	8.9	8535	7688	847	9.9	8413	7320	1093	13.0
PERRY	7118	6651	467	6.6	7140	6739	401	5.6	7034	6541	493	7.0
PETTIS	16490	15482	1008	6.1	16822	15732	1090	6.5	16086	14662	1424	8.9
PHELPS	15775	14883	892	5.7	15636	14770	866	5.5	15535	14330	1205	7.8
PIKE	7084	6508	576	8.1	7143	6515	628	8.8	7203	6506	697	9.7
POLK	8728	8335	393	4.5	8713	8248	465	5.3	8511	7982	529	6.2
PULASKI	8788	8159	629	7.2	8874	8298	576	6.5	8893	8048	845	9.5
PUTNAM	3054	2927	127	4.2	3058	2915	143	4.7	3133	2935	198	6.3
RANDOLPH	11456	10869	587	5.1	11358	10775	583	5.1	11599	10608	991	8.5
REYNOLDS	2236	1980	256	11.4	2351	2064	287	12.2	2702	2148	554	20.5
RIPLEY	3234	2970	264	8.2	3239	2933	306	9.4	3416	2908	508	14.9
SALINE	13777	13166	611	4.4	13732	13106	626	4.6	14051	13212	839	6.0
SCOTLAND	2503	2395	108	4.3	2462	2361	101	4.1	2553	2395	158	6.2
SCOTT	17080	15685	1395	8.2	17422	16087	1335	7.7	17772	15874	1898	10.7
SHANNON	3095	2755	340	11.0	3092	2757	335	10.8	3123	2571	552	17.7
SHELBY	3363	3219	144	4.3	3381	3244	137	4.1	3358	3181	177	5.3
ST. CLAIR	3803	3645	158	4.2	3916	3732	184	4.7	3879	3588	291	7.5
ST. FRANCOIS	19404	17709	1695	8.7	20288	18454	1834	9.0	19638	17469	2169	11.0
STE. GENEVIEVE	5567	5192	375	6.7	5673	5301	372	6.6	5767	5357	410	7.1
STODDARD	12594	11633	961	7.6	12633	11591	1042	8.2	12498	11141	1357	10.9
STONE	8324	7801	523	6.3	8507	8014	493	5.8	7623	6942	681	8.9
SULLIVAN	3480	3307	173	5.0	3497	3333	164	4.7	3470	3260	210	6.1
TANEY	15726	15060	666	4.2	16243	15581	662	4.1	13960	13154	806	5.8
TEXAS	8042	6861	1181	14.7	7905	6949	956	12.1	7838	6905	933	11.9
VERNON	9503	9077	426	4.5	9454	9066	388	4.1	9784	9207	577	5.9
WARREN	6515	6100	415	6.4	6451	6050	401	6.2	6076	5537	539	8.9
WASHINGTON	4411	3730	681	15.4	4540	3790	750	16.5	4518	3581	937	20.7
WAYNE	4252	3767	485	11.4	4237	3756	481	11.4	4003	3422	581	14.5
WEBSTER	7775	7185	590	7.6	7725	7178	547	7.1	7764	6975	789	10.2
WORTH	1148	1096	52	4.5	1173	1123	50	4.3	1199	1064	135	11.3
WRIGHT	7383	6805	578	7.8	7543	6889	654	8.7	7371	6719	652	8.8

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TABLE 2. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT, HOURS AND EARNINGS
MISSOURI (STATEWIDE)
OCTOBER, 1984

INDUSTRY TITLE	ALL EMPLOYEES			PRODUCTION WORKERS								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	1977.1	1975.8	1946.3									
Total Manufacturing	421.3	421.1	409.5	381.38	381.38	366.79	40.4	40.4	40.8	9.44	9.44	8.99
Durable Goods	240.1	240.1	228.9	419.61	418.78	408.10	41.3	41.3	41.6	10.16	10.14	9.81
Lumber & Wood Products	9.7	9.6	9.1	238.51	240.34	223.10	39.1	39.4	38.4	6.10	6.10	5.81
Furniture & Fixtures	9.2	9.1	8.9	334.33	333.96	301.56	44.4	44.0	42.0	7.53	7.59	7.18
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.5	10.8	11.0	420.86	413.70	403.27	41.1	40.4	40.9	10.24	10.24	9.86
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.2	621.19	621.19	562.38	42.9	42.9	40.9	14.48	14.48	13.75
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.3	2.3	451.95	457.20	411.31	39.3	40.0	37.7	11.50	11.43	10.91
Other Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	7.3	7.5	7.5	385.63	376.27	379.54	41.2	40.2	41.8	9.36	9.36	9.08
Primary Metal Industries	13.4	13.6	12.9	409.19	415.94	441.60	38.1	38.3	40.0	10.74	10.86	11.04
Iron & Steel Foundries	2.1	2.1	1.7	333.20	344.40	343.20	39.2	40.0	39.0	8.50	8.61	8.80
Non-Ferrous Foundries	2.7	2.7	2.5	337.64	347.71	311.66	42.1	42.3	39.5	8.02	8.22	7.89
Other Primary Metals	8.6	8.8	8.7	458.29	461.19	515.57	36.2	36.4	40.5	12.66	12.67	12.73
Fabricated Metal Products	28.8	28.8	27.9	377.06	378.10	394.59	40.5	40.7	41.8	9.31	9.29	9.44
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	9.9	10.0	9.8	349.67	356.00	367.03	39.6	40.0	40.2	8.83	8.90	9.13
Other Fabricated Metal Prod.	18.9	18.8	18.1									
Machinery Exc. Electrical	30.7	30.8	30.4	401.39	398.40	395.76	40.3	40.0	40.8	9.96	9.96	9.70
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	49.5	49.3	45.7	365.11	375.99	374.40	39.6	41.5	41.6	9.22	9.06	9.00
Transportation Equipment	69.5	69.3	64.4	581.46	565.49	537.03	44.9	43.2	43.1	12.95	13.09	12.46
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	30.9	30.7	26.3	611.12	586.49	557.66	47.3	44.6	44.9	12.92	13.15	12.42
Other Transportation Equip.	38.6	38.6	38.1	526.50	529.58	503.30	40.5	40.8	40.2	13.00	12.98	12.52
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.8	11.8	11.8	322.39	321.60	327.67	40.4	40.2	43.4	7.98	8.00	7.55
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.0	7.0	6.8	266.76	263.84	252.97	39.0	38.8	39.9	6.84	6.80	6.34
Nondurable Goods	181.2	181.0	180.6	333.26	334.44	316.01	39.3	39.3	39.8	8.48	8.51	7.94
Food & Kindred Products	45.3	45.2	45.4	398.24	394.69	375.70	41.7	40.9	42.5	9.55	9.65	8.84
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits and Vegetables	12.1	12.0	11.8	296.65	277.38	296.86	42.5	39.4	43.4	6.98	7.04	6.84
Dairy Products	6.3	6.4	6.3	380.52	381.43	364.97	42.0	42.1	41.1	9.06	9.06	8.88
Grain Mill Products	7.0	6.8	7.4	434.58	452.32	428.26	42.9	44.0	43.7	10.13	10.28	9.80
Bakery Products	5.7	5.7	5.8	390.78	383.67	377.26	38.5	37.8	38.3	10.15	10.15	9.85
Beverages	10.2	10.3	10.0	596.04	600.06	467.74	40.3	41.1	41.8	14.79	14.60	11.19

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INDUSTRY TITLE	ALL EMPLOYEES			PRODUCTION WORKERS								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred Prod.	4.0	4.0	4.1	401.99	400.44	402.74	41.7	41.8	44.6	9.64	9.58	9.03
Textile & Apparel	25.2	25.5	26.2	192.42	194.55	179.05	35.9	36.5	34.7	5.36	5.33	5.16
Paper & Allied Products	12.9	12.9	12.6	372.11	374.01	355.63	41.3	41.1	41.4	9.01	9.10	8.59
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.6	6.6	6.3	366.87	375.55	369.70	40.9	40.6	42.3	8.97	9.25	8.74
Other Paper & Allied Products	6.3	6.3	6.3	376.97	372.74	341.01	41.7	41.6	40.5	9.04	8.96	8.42
Printing & Publishing	38.2	38.2	36.8	379.44	382.79	353.23	38.6	39.1	37.9	9.83	9.79	9.32
Commercial Printing	12.8	12.7	12.1	447.17	462.09	405.33	41.1	42.2	39.2	10.88	10.95	10.34
Other Printing & Publishing	25.4	25.5	24.7	313.49	307.34	308.75	36.2	36.2	36.8	8.66	8.49	8.39
Chemicals & Allied Products	28.1	28.1	27.4	471.84	475.25	423.15	42.7	42.7	42.4	11.05	11.13	9.98
Leather & Leather Products	18.4	17.9	19.2	183.38	182.13	194.62	34.6	34.3	37.0	5.30	5.31	5.26
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.7	14.3	14.8	178.68	175.54	189.95	34.1	33.5	36.6	5.24	5.24	5.19
Other Leather & Leather Prod.	3.7	3.6	4.4	204.06	209.81	210.82	36.9	37.6	38.4	5.53	5.58	5.49
Other Nondurable Goods	13.1	13.2	13.0	300.29	300.98	294.11	40.2	40.4	40.4	7.47	7.45	7.28
Total Nonmanufacturing	1555.8	1554.7	1536.8									
Mining	5.9	6.0	6.6									
Construction	80.8	81.9	80.1									
Transportation & Public Util.	137.1	136.8	133.0									
Railroad Transportation	13.4	13.4	13.3									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	66.8	66.5	66.8									
Communication, Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	56.9	56.9	52.9									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	463.7	466.9	458.6									
Wholesale Trade	126.1	126.5	125.4									
Retail Trade	337.6	340.4	333.2									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	109.4	109.9	109.6									
Services	416.3	418.6	413.8									
Government	342.5	334.5	335.1									
Federal Government	69.5	69.7	68.2									
State & Local Government	273.1	264.9	266.9									

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Data cover employees who worked or received pay for the payroll period which includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers or unpaid family workers, and domestic workers. Payroll and hours data cover production and related workers in manufacturing.

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2300 jobs, and construction by 1100 jobs. Most other industries showed little change from September.

Compared to October 1983, most industries showed healthy gains, with a total increase of payroll employment of 30,800 jobs. Motor vehicles and equipment manufacturing was up by 4600 jobs in the year, while the other durable goods industries grew by a total of 6600 jobs. Besides state and local government, other nonmanufacturing industries experiencing substantial over-the-year growth included retail trade (4400 jobs), and transportation and public utilities (4100 jobs).

The factory workweek was unchanged in October at 40.4 hours. An increase of 2.7 hours in the automobile industry, to 47.3 hours, helped offset smaller decreases in electrical and electronic equipment (0.9 hours to 39.6) and various other industries. Average hourly and weekly earnings were also unchanged at $9.44 and $381.38, respectively. An increase in hourly earnings of 45 cents from October 1983 offset a drop in the workweek of 0.4 hours, leading to a 4 percent increase in average weekly earnings during the year.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

National labor market conditions seemed to have bounced back somewhat in October, with total civilian employment increasing by 350,000 and nonfarm payroll employment growing by 440,000, on a seasonally adjusted basis. Most industry groups showed gains in October, with the nonmanufacturing industries leading the way; this was in contrast to September, when fewer than half the industries reported employment gains. Seasonally adjusted unemployment remained unchanged at 7.3 percent of the civilian labor force.

As previously reported, the economy showed relatively little growth in the second quarter. The index of leading economic indicators dropped again in October; in September, the index had bounced back following three months of declines. This appears to portend further sluggishness in the economy, and a growing number of analysts are expecting relatively slow growth in the current quarter. The first part of next year remains the big question mark. Most forecasters expect moderate growth, with recent drops in interest rates spurring some new growth, but some analysts are now expecting a prolonged lull and a few even a downturn.

OUTLOOK

With growth apparently continuing at a slow rate in the current quarter and labor market indicators remaining relatively stable, seasonal changes are expected to dominate Missouri labor market conditions in the next few months. Developments thereafter may depend on whether the economy continues at the same pace or dips after the Christmas rush. Short-term phenomena, such as weather conditions, may dominate individual monthly changes in the winter months, with any longer-term conditions coming to the fore in the spring.

TABLE 3. SELECTED ECONOMIC STATISTICS RELATED TO MANPOWER DEVELOPMENTS MISSOURI – OCTOBER, 1984

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1 Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,366,300	2,372,900	2,359,600	-6,600	6,700
Total Employed	2,227,500	2,231,700	2,166,900	-4,200	60,600
Total Unemployed	138,800	141,200	192,700	-2,400	-53,900
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	5.9	6.0	8.2	-0.1	-2.3
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	1,977,100	1,975,800	1,946,300	1,300	30,800
Manufacturing	421,300	421,100	409,500	200	11,800
Durable Goods	240,100	240,100	228,900	0	11,200
Nondurable Goods	181,200	181,000	180,600	200	600
Nonmanufacturing	1,555,800	1,554,700	1,536,800	1,100	19,000
State Initial Claims (Wkly. Avg.)	7,997	5,676	7,212	2,321	785
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly. Avg.)	34,252	32,172	39,277	2,080	-5,025
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.1	1.9	2.7	0.2	-0.6
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,300	2,913	4,438	387	-1,138
Amount of Benefits Paid	$11,070,303	$10,160,269	$12,030,059	$910,034	-$959,756
State U.I.	10,798,154	9,915,859	11,692,417	882,295	-894,263
UCFE	128,548	121,755	131,927	6,793	-3,379
UCX	143,601	122,655	205,715	20,946	-62,114

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KANSAS CITY LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The Kansas City Area includes Jackson, Clay, Cass, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson and Wyandotte counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the Area has been published at 1,327,020 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

OCTOBER, 1984

FRANCIENA KING, ANALYST

In October 1984, the Area's unemployment rate was unchanged from the previous month's rate of 4.8 per cent. Place-of-residence employment grew by 700 persons while nonagricultural wage and salaried employment fell by 200 over-the-month. Over-the-year, civilian employment by place-of-residence grew by 16,500 persons. The number of jobless persons grew by 200 over-the-month to 33,300, although that number represents 12,100 fewer jobless in the Area compared to October 1983. After declining over the last several months, the civilian labor force grew by 900 persons, primarily as a result of an additional 700 persons finding employment in seasonally-related activity.

Wage and salaried employment in October 1984 was 634,600 persons, down by 200 from the September 1984 total of 634,800 persons. The loss, concentrated in the nonmanufacturing sector, occurred as combined declines in the nonmanufacturing sector, occurred as combined declines in Services and Retail Trade offset the gains produced in State and Local Government and Construction. The loss of 1,900 jobs in Services was concentrated in the recreational related services sector. The loss of 600 jobs in Retail Trade appeared to result from a sluggishness in sales in the period between school purchasing and the onset of holiday shopping. State and Local Government showed a gain of 1,600 jobs as the Area's school systems returned to normal employment levels. The normal losses usually beginning in October in the Construction industry were stalled by the generally mild October weather and continued commercial development activities in the Area. The only other change in nonmanufacturing was a small increase of 200 jobs in Transportation, Communications and Utilities. Employment in manufacturing was up by 200 jobs over-the-month. Among the Durable Goods industries, a small loss in Machinery was offset by small gains in Lumber and Furniture, Fabricated Metals and Motor Vehicles. There were no employment changes among the Nondurable Goods producing sector.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 14,700 jobs from October 1983 to October 1984, with employment gains of 5,700 in Durable Goods manufacturing, 2,100 jobs in Nondurable Goods manufacturing and 9,000 jobs in nonmanufacturing. Construction continued its strong showing over-the-year with 27,800 jobs and showed the largest gain over-the-year with 3,100 additional jobs. Other major gainers in nonmanufacturing were Wholesale Trade with 1,700 additional jobs over-the-year, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate with 1,700 additional jobs, Services with 1,000 more jobs and Government with 1,100 jobs. Within manufacturing, Motor Vehicles made the strongest showing with 1,900 additional jobs. Electrical Equipment in the durable goods sector and Printing and Publishing in the nondurable goods sector combined to add 2,700 jobs to the manufacturing sector. Most of the remaining industries showed moderate growth. Only two industries registered losses over-the-year; Machinery continued to lose strength, with a loss of 600 jobs and Food showed a minor loss.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 33,300 in October 1984, for 4.8 per cent of the labor force, compared to 33,100 in September 1984 for 4.8 per cent of the labor force and 45,400 in October 1983 for 6.6 per cent of the labor force.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT FORECAST

November 1984 is expected to show little change in the Area's overall unemployment rate. Much of the Area's labor market activity will be concentrated in the nonmanufacturing sector. Retail Trade employment will begin to pick-up to meet the increased demands of holiday shopping. These gains will be offset by the slowing down in Construction activity and the continued losses in Services. Unemployment is expected to be 4.9 per cent of the labor force in November 1984, compared to 4.8 per cent in October 1984 and 6.4 per cent in November 1983.

In December 1984, Retail Trade employment will reach its highest level of the year as consumer spending for the holidays expands. The announced lay-off in manufacturing, primarily in Machinery, due to large, accumulated inventories, combined with the seasonal losses in Construction and Services will reduce the impact of the employment gains on lowering the overall unemployment rate. Unemployment is expected to be 4.9 per cent of the labor force in December 1984 compared to 7.8 per cent in December 1983.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED IN THE KANSAS CITY AREA (MISSOURI SIDE ONLY)
OCTOBER, 1984

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.5	18.1	16.7
25-34	37.6	33.8	35.9
35-44	23.6	21.0	22.5
45-54	12.7	15.3	13.8
55-64	9.5	10.3	9.8
65 and over	0.6	1.5	1.0
Unreported	0.5	0.0	0.3

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agriculture	0.3
Mining	0.2
Construction	5.3
Manufacturing	25.1
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	4.0
Wholesale & Retail Trade	21.5
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.7
Services	29.9
All Other	9.8
Information not available	0.2

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	12.8
Clerical	19.7
Sales	4.8
Services	16.1
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	0.6
Processing	2.1
Machine Trades	7.0
Bench Work	5.0
Structural Work	9.6
Miscellaneous	13.5
Information not available	8.8

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 5,446; 3,039 were male and 2,404 were female.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK - March 1983)

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current Data October, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	634,600	634,800	619,900	-200	+14,700
Total Manufacturing	117,200	117,000	111,500	+200	+5,700
Durable Goods	67,500	67,300	63,900	+200	+3,600
Lumber & Furniture	3,000	2,900	2,700	+100	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,900	3,900	3,900	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	3,600	3,600	3,300	0	+300
Fabricated Metal Products	9,500	9,400	9,200	+100	+300
Machinery Except Electrical	7,800	7,900	8,400	-100	-600
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,700	21,700	20,300	0	+1,400
Transportation Equipment	14,400	14,300	12,500	+100	+1,800
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,200)	(14,100)	(12,300)	(+100)	(+1,900)
Other Durable Goods	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0
Nondurable Goods	49,700	49,700	47,600	0	+2,100
Food & Kindred Products	9,300	9,300	9,400	0	-100
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,600	2,600	2,200	0	+400
Paper & Allied Products	5,100	5,100	5,000	0	+100
Printing & Publishing	18,900	18,900	17,600	0	+1,300
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,500	8,500	8,200	0	+300
Petroleum & Coal Products	500	500	500	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,800	4,800	4,700	0	+100
Total Nonmanufacturing	517,400	517,800	508,400	-400	+9,000
Mining & Quarrying	600	600	500	0	+100
Construction	27,800	27,500	24,700	+300	+3,100
Transportation & Utilities	50,600	50,400	50,300	+200	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	160,800	161,400	159,100	-600	+1,700
Wholesale Trade	(53,000)	(53,000)	(51,300)	(0)	(+1,700)
Retail Trade	(107,800)	(108,400)	(107,800)	(-600)	(0)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	49,000	49,000	47,300	0	+1,700
Services	138,700	140,600	137,700	-1,900	+1,000
Government	89,900	88,300	88,800	+1,600	+1,100
Federal Government	(23,600)	(23,600)	(23,100)	(0)	(+500)
State & Local Government	(66,300)	(64,700)	(65,700)	(+1,600)	(+600)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	200	0	-100

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TABLE 2. PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas Month and Year of Current Data October, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$434.60	$437.37	$415.95	41.0	41.3	40.7	$10.60	$10.59	$10.22
DURABLE GOODS	461.76	465.86	451.55	40.9	41.3	41.2	11.29	11.28	10.97
Lumber & Furniture	325.62	332.77	315.59	40.2	41.7	39.4	8.10	7.98	8.01
Stone, Clay & Glass Products . . .	492.71	471.24	512.47	41.3	39.7	39.3	11.93	11.87	13.04
Primary Metal Industries	438.45	437.63	415.01	40.9	40.9	39.3	10.72	10.70	10.56
Fabricated Metal Products	376.58	368.92	365.74	40.8	40.1	39.2	9.23	9.20	9.33
Machinery Exc. Electrical	385.88	421.34	406.99	37.5	39.9	39.9	10.29	10.56	10.18
Elect. Equip. & Supplies	456.29	469.63	459.24	41.9	42.5	44.2	10.89	11.05	10.39
Transportation Equipment	603.40	603.08	581.86	41.7	42.5	41.8	14.47	14.19	13.92
Motor Vehicles & Equipment . . .	(606.74)	(606.05)	(590.10)	(41.7)	(42.5)	(42.0)	(14.55)	(14.26)	(14.05)
Other Durable Goods	240.75	243.94	209.22	37.5	37.3	36.9	6.42	6.54	5.67
NONDURABLE GOODS	388.22	386.57	357.20	41.3	41.3	40.0	9.40	9.36	8.93
Food & Kindred Products	415.25	411.20	403.10	42.2	42.7	41.6	9.84	9.63	9.69
Apparel & Other Textile Prod. . .	188.94	206.91	194.54	33.5	36.3	35.5	5.64	5.70	5.48
Paper & Allied Products	376.26	378.96	351.07	41.9	42.2	41.4	8.98	8.98	8.48
Printing & Publishing	416.23	411.80	384.00	38.9	38.2	38.4	10.70	10.74	10.00
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	491.28	484.37	429.60	46.0	45.1	40.0	10.68	10.74	10.74
Petroleum & Coal Prod.	362.46	396.86	303.85	39.7	41.6	37.1	9.13	9.54	8.19
Other Nondurable Goods	287.05	282.24	265.60	42.4	42.0	41.5	6.77	6.72	6.40

*This series excludes industry 2771.

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ST. LOUIS LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe and St. Clair Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,355,276 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

OCTOBER, 1984

RUSSELL SIGNORINO, ANALYST

AREA LABOR FORCE DEVELOPMENTS

The unemployment rate for the St. Louis SMSA in October was 7.0%. The September rate was 7.1%. Over the month, the number of unemployed area residents decreased by 1000 and total government decreased by 900. Most of the decrease that has occurred in unemployment since June has been seasonal. Manufacturing employment, which increased 9000 from June 1983 to June 1984, has remained stable for the past 4 months. Very few employment recalls or layoffs have occurred since June 1984. Nonmanufacturing, which increased 20,000 during the June to June period, has grown slightly during the last four months and is responsible for keeping total employment somewhat higher than expected seasonal levels since July. In October 1983, the unemployment rate was 9.1%. Since that time, unemployment has decreased by 22,700 and employment increased by 29800. The civilian labor force has grown by only 6600, or +0.6%. There were 200 labor disputants in October, September and October, 1983.

MANUFACTURING

Manufacturing employment declined by 700 over the month. Aircraft and parts experienced a seasonal decrease of 300. Primary metal declined 200, a continuation of trend begun in August. Over the year, manufacturing employment increased by 5500. A majority of this increase continues to come from motor vehicles which added 4000 workers. Other major gains occurred in fabricated metals (+800), nonelectrical machinery (+700) and aircraft (+700). Declines have occurred in 7 major industries, the larges being in leather (-500).

NONMANUFACTURING

Nonmanufacturing increased by 900 over the month. Seasonal employment gains in public schools caused state and local government employment to increase by 3000. Seasonal employment declines occurred in wholesale trade and services. Construction employment, which normally begins to experience large seasonal decreases in October, declined only

200 this year because of the continued building activity occurring on major local projects. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 19600 workers. Trade (+7800), construction (+6500) and government (+1800) registered major gains.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND MANPOWER RESOURCES

State UI continued claimants in the SMSA were down 300 in October from September, 1984. In the Missouri portion of the SMSA they were down 200 and in the Illinois portion they were down 100.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
INA	0	0	0	0
Agriculture	14	18	14	23
Mining	117	90	107	105
Construction	733	742	734	901
Manufacturing Total	2982	3314	2912	3237
Food	310	261	255	349
Textile	24	23	27	26
Apparel	255	213	213	208
Lumber	60	22	25	29
Furniture	141	91	83	82
Paper	100	121	97	99
Printing	127	147	126	135
Chemicals	164	145	169	199
Petroleum	18	27	37	17
Rubber	110	117	108	115
Leather	334	265	261	312
Stone	42	34	32	74
Primary Metal	227	234	221	186
Fabricated Metal	329	410	342	369
Machinery	75	74	99	80
Electrical Machinery	143	179	206	239
Transportation Equip.	150	582	226	281
Instruments	14	29	18	33
Miscellaneous	356	339	365	399
Public Utilities	745	785	439	561
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2047	2178	1834	2009
Finance	278	289	284	300
Services	5489	6087	5031	5542
All Other	274	271	217	310
TOTAL	12679	13774	11572	12988

Of the 12,988 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in October, 1984, 54.2 percent were male and 45.8 percent were female.

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1585	1724	1661	1730
Clerical	2061	2102	2075	2213
Sales	543	575	556	636
Farm, Fish & Forest	55	74	61	76
Processing	225	223	246	260
Machine Trades	797	857	816	973
Bench Work	678	683	702	749
Structural Work	841	843	793	1016
Misc. Work	1621	1638	1332	1628
Domestic	65	67	40	66
Other Services	2268	2417	2004	2181
INA	1940	2571	1286	1460
TOTAL	12679	13774	11572	12988

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Minority	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	47.2	15.4	20.9	44.1	2.2
Placements, %	44.6	13.8	34.0	46.8	2.3

AVAILABLE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The occupational percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	6.7	1.7
Clerical	19.1	13.8
Sales	17.8	26.3
Processing	1.2	1.4
Machine Trades	5.0	5.2
Bench Work	2.9	3.6
Structural Work	5.4	6.0
Motor Freight & Transportation	3.2	2.7
Packaging & Material Handling	9.5	14.0
Domestic	1.1	1.2
Other Services	26.8	23.0
Other Occupations	1.3	1.1

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

The unemployment rate for October is expected to be 7.1% and in December 7.1%.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)

Area and State St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area Month and Year of Current Data October, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change to Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,026,900	1,026,700	1,001,800	+200	+25,100
Percent Change				*	+(2.5)
Manufacturing	222,800	223,500	217,300	-700	+5,500
Durable Goods	140,100	140,300	134,000	-200	+6,100
Lumber & Furniture	4,400	4,400	4,700	0	-300
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,400	3,400	3,600	0	-200
Primary Metal Industries	14,700	14,900	14,400	-200	+300
Fabricated Metal Products	17,500	17,500	16,700	0	+800
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,600	18,500	17,900	+100	+700
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	13,900	13,800	13,500	+100	+400
Transportation Equipment	55,400	55,600	51,000	-200	+4,400
Motor Vehicles	19,100	19,000	15,100	+100	+4,000
Aircraft & Parts	35,200	35,500	34,500	-300	+700
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,200	12,200	12,200	0	0
Nondurable Goods	82,700	83,200	83,300	-500	-600
Food & Kindred Products	21,000	21,000	21,300	0	-300
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	-100
Beverages	8,600	8,600	8,500	0	+100
Textiles & Apparel	6,800	6,900	7,100	-100	-300
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,800	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	15,500	15,700	15,100	-200	+400
Chemical & Allied Products	20,600	20,700	20,300	-100	+300
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,600	2,600	2,600	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	5,400	5,400	5,900	0	-500
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,200	5,200	-100	-100
Nonmanufacturing	804,100	803,200	784,500	+900	+19,600
Mining	3,800	3,900	3,400	-100	+400
Construction	53,600	53,800	47,100	-200	+6,500
Transportation & Public Utilities	72,600	72,900	71,400	-300	+1,200
Railroads	7,600	7,700	7,500	-100	+100
Transportation, Except Railroads	37,000	37,400	36,300	-400	+700
Communications & Public Utilities	28,000	27,800	27,600	+200	+400
Wholesale & Retail Trade	238,700	239,300	230,900	-600	+7,800
Wholesale Trade	62,400	63,100	60,900	-700	+1,500
Retail Trade	176,300	176,200	170,000	+100	+6,300
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	59,800	59,800	59,100	0	+700
Service, Except Domestic	236,100	236,800	234,900	-700	+1,200
Total Government	139,500	136,700	137,700	+2,800	+1,800
Total Federal Government	37,900	38,100	37,300	-200	+600
Total State & Local Government	101,600	98,600	100,400	+3,000	+1,200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	200	200	200	0	0

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TABLE 2. AVERAGE HOURS & EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State St. Louis Metropolitan Area

Month and Year of Current Data October, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$444.44	$440.36	$415.55	40.7	40.4	40.7	10.92	10.90	10.21
DURABLE GOODS	461.85	454.72	432.60	41.2	40.6	41.2	11.21	11.20	10.50
Lumber & Furniture	357.33	353.96	319.55	43.0	42.8	40.5	8.31	8.27	7.89
Stone, Clay & Glass	398.82	396.93	409.46	39.1	39.3	39.6	10.20	10.10	10.34
Primary Metal Industries	425.71	429.41	444.80	36.2	37.9	40.0	11.76	11.33	11.12
Fabricated Metal Products	404.29	407.25	409.76	39.1	39.5	41.6	10.34	10.31	9.85
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	456.23	444.29	422.30	41.4	40.5	41.2	11.02	10.97	10.25
Elect. & Electronic Equip.	322.09	300.80	294.33	38.9	37.6	40.1	8.28	8.00	7.34
Transportation Equipment	598.78	591.30	543.58	45.5	43.8	42.6	13.16	13.50	12.76
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	286.46	274.16	299.41	37.3	37.2	39.5	7.68	7.37	7.58
NONDURABLE GOODS	413.28	414.16	388.40	39.7	39.9	40.0	10.41	10.38	9.71
Food & Kindred Products	516.19	522.49	452.19	41.0	41.5	42.3	12.59	12.59	10.69
Textiles & Apparel	202.07	202.40	202.56	34.9	35.2	35.6	5.79	5.75	5.69
Paper & Paper Products	432.23	429.70	416.08	42.5	41.8	42.5	10.17	10.28	9.79
Printing & Publishing	412.03	410.22	402.50	38.4	38.7	37.2	10.73	10.60	10.82
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	466.05	467.58	436.71	41.5	41.6	40.7	11.23	11.24	10.73
Petroleum & Coal Products	587.02	590.10	617.81	41.9	42.0	43.6	14.01	14.05	14.17
Leather & Leather Products	194.04	198.92	204.09	35.8	36.3	38.8	5.42	5.48	5.26
Other Nondurable Goods	310.42	308.00	305.31	39.9	40.0	40.6	7.78	7.70	7.52

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SPRINGFIELD LABOR MARKET REVIEW
(GREEN AND CHRISTIAN COUNTIES)
OCTOBER, 1984

LLOYD BANWART, ANALYST

AREA LABOR FORCE DEVELOPMENTS

The Springfield SMSA labor force expanded by 200 from 115,800 in September to 116,000 in October. The area unemployment rate dropped two-tenths of a percentage point to 4.5 percent, the lowest since December, 1979. The estimated number of persons unemployed stands at 5,300 in October, down 100 from a month earlier.

During October, 1983, there were 7,300 workers unemployed and the rate of unemployment stood at 6.3 percent of the labor force.

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

Total payrolled employment rose 500 from 93,700 in September to 94,200 in October. This is the net result of a 200 drop in manufacturing jobs and a 600 gain in nonmanufacturing employment. Most of the jump in nonmanufacturing employment occurred at state and local educational institutions and includes a significant amount of student labor.

Since October 1983, payrolled jobs show an increase of 2,000. Manufacturing and nonmanufacturing industries recorded gains of 600 and 1,400 respectively. Construction, trade and state and local government recorded the most significant employment gains in the nonmanufacturing group during the 12 month period.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing and related workers rose one cent from September to reach $8.23 in October. The average factory workweek slipped from 40.8 hours in September to 38.4 in October. This drop could be due to a leveling economy and serve as a forerunner to lay-offs in the manufacturing sector in future months.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

Payrolled employment is expected to remain near the current level during November. Lay-offs in manufacturing totaling about 300 will probably be off-set by seasonal hiring in retail trade as the Christmas season gets into full swing.

A seasonal uptrend in the rate of unemployment will start in November and continue into the late winter months. An increase of at least three-tenths of a percentage point in November seems likely.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK- March, 1983)

Area and State Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current Data October, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary Employment (Exc. Domestics)	94,200	93,700	92,200	+500	+2,000
Manufacturing	19,700	19,800	19,100	-100	+600
Durable Goods	10,500	10,600	9,900	-100	+600
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	800	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	9,600	9,700	9,100	-100	+500
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,200	9,200	0	0
Food Processing	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,500	0	+100
Other Nondurable Goods	3,700	3,700	3,700	0	0
Nonmanufacturing	74,500	73,900	73,100	+600	+1,400
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,700	3,700	3,400	0	+300
Transportation & Utilities	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	0
Trade	26,400	26,400	25,700	0	+700
Finane, Insurance & Real Estate	3,900	3,800	3,800	+100	+100
Services	22,300	22,300	22,300	0	0
Government	12,100	11,600	11,800	+500	+300
Federal	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
State and Local	10,500	10,000	10,200	+500	+300
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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TABLE 2. GROSS AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

Area and State Springfield, Missouri   Month and Year of Current Data October, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X
Manufacturing	$316.03	$335.38	$324.72	38.4	40.8	39.6	$8.23	$8.22	$8.20
Durable Goods	312.84	336.97	316.40	39.4	42.6	39.5	7.94	7.91	8.01
Nondurable Goods	321.40	333.49	335.47	36.9	38.2	39.7	8.71	8.73	8.45
Food & Kindred Products	366.95	364.72	389.45	39.5	40.3	42.8	9.29	9.05	9.10
Other Nondurable Goods	297.13	315.98	306.28	35.5	37.0	38.0	8.37	8.54	8.06

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

INCLUDES CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR ALL AREAS PLUS LABOR MARKET REVIEWS FOR THE STATE,
AND THE ST. LOUIS, KANSAS CITY, AND SPRINGFIELD SMSA'S

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MISSOURI LABOR MARKET REVIEW

BILL NIBLACK, LABOR ECONOMIST · RANDALL CLARK, ANALYST · DATA MONTH: DECEMBER, 1984

Missouri unemployment was little changed in November, and total employment showed the expected seasonal decrease. The unemployment rate edged up a tenth of a percentage point from October to 6.0 percent in November, the same as in September. About 139,000 Missourians were jobless in both October and November, while 2,192,700 were employed in November.

Comparison to November 1983 shows a gain of 52,200 in total employment and a drop of 53,800 in unemployment. During the twelve month period, the unemployment rate dropped 2.3 percentage points.

Nonagricultural wage and salary employment has changed little since September. November nonfarm payroll employment was estimated as 1,977,500, compared to 1,975,800 in September. The number of manufacturing jobs decreased slightly during the two-month period, while seasonal declines took place in construction, retail trade, and services. These were more than outweighed by the gain of 11,600 in state and local government employment, which was mostly seasonal.

The factory workweek remained strong; the November figure of 40.3 hours was down only a tenth of an hour from October. Average weekly earnings of manufacturing production workers were up by $1.87 in November to $384.46, while the hourly figure increased 7 cents to $9.47. Weekly earnings have shown a gain of 6.1 percent over the past 12 months.

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**STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
5-YEAR HISTORICAL SERIES**

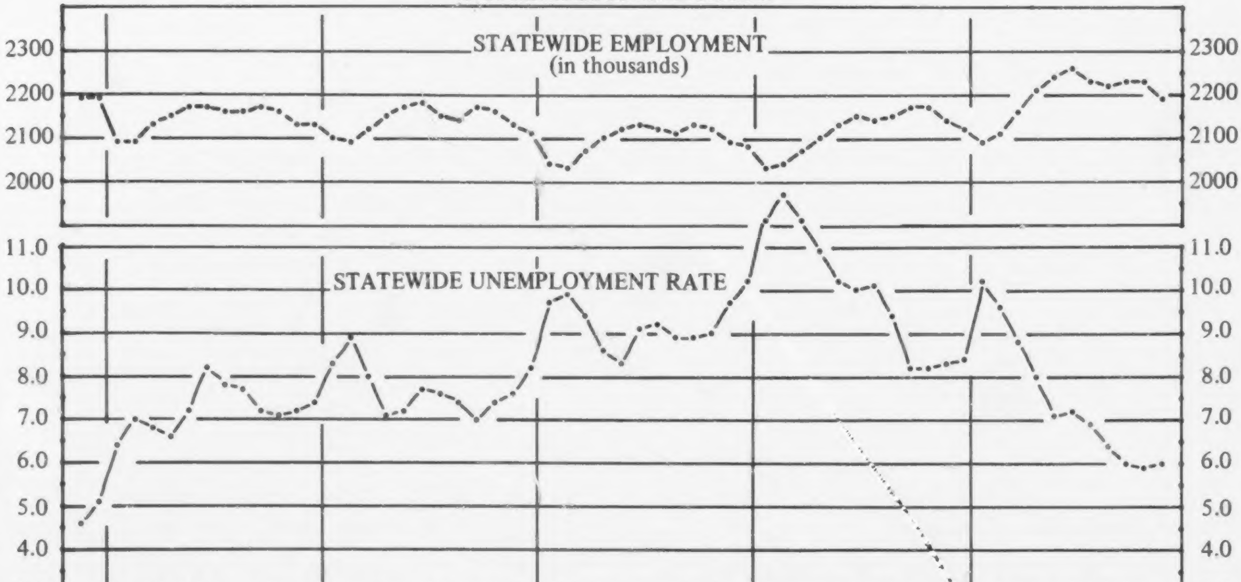

TABLE 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - NOV 1984 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - OCT 1984 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - NOV 1983 (BENCHMARKED 1983)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2331640	2192674	138966	6.0	2369596	2230098	139498	5.9	2333192	2140445	192747	8.3
ST. LOUIS SMSA	1149036	1073721	75315	6.6	1154946	1072786	82160	7.1	1144950	1042114	102836	9.0
KANSAS CITY SMSA	688353	655722	32631	4.7	691501	658730	32771	4.7	685949	641876	44073	6.4
SPRINGFIELD SMSA	113569	108377	5192	4.6	115045	109775	5270	4.6	114731	107320	7411	6.5
COLUMBIA SMSA	59554	57705	1849	3.1	60478	58504	1974	3.3	56164	53944	2220	4.0
JOPLIN SMSA	58112	54868	3244	5.6	58856	55620	3236	5.5	57066	52336	4730	8.3
ST. JOSEPH SMSA	44565	41297	3268	7.3	45265	41786	3479	7.7	45303	41292	4091	9.0
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	15821	14981	840	5.3	16138	15386	752	4.7	16366	15430	936	5.7
ATCHISON	4047	3824	223	5.5	4285	4041	244	5.7	5214	4991	223	4.3
AUDRAIN	10957	10276	681	6.2	11367	10663	704	6.2	10715	9798	917	8.6
BARRY	11365	10630	735	6.5	11459	10937	522	4.6	11386	10412	974	8.6
BARTON	4953	4705	248	5.0	5132	4964	168	3.3	4920	4636	284	5.8
BATES	7251	6874	377	5.2	7765	7393	372	4.8	7531	6897	634	8.4
BENTON	5396	5055	341	6.3	5591	5281	310	5.5	5178	4638	540	10.4
BOLLINGER	3061	2653	408	13.3	3139	2764	375	11.9	3016	2548	468	15.5
BUTLER	16626	15237	1389	8.4	16871	15522	1349	8.0	15604	13770	1834	11.8
CALDWELL	3502	3336	166	4.7	3817	3606	211	5.5	3593	3309	284	7.9
CALLAWAY	17617	16493	1124	6.4	18607	17442	1165	6.3	20344	18961	1383	6.8
CAMDEN	12236	11321	915	7.5	12935	12253	682	5.3	10998	9932	1066	9.7
CAPE GIRARDEAU	31110	29807	1303	4.2	31479	30081	1398	4.4	30883	28956	1927	6.2
CARROLL	4458	4204	254	5.7	4727	4448	279	5.9	4505	4136	369	8.2
CARTER	2642	2282	360	13.6	2654	2384	270	10.2	2812	2411	401	14.3
CEDAR	4273	4002	271	6.3	4504	4237	267	5.9	4234	3935	299	7.1
CHARITON	4797	4491	306	6.4	5215	4865	350	6.7	4704	4245	459	9.8
CLARK	3225	2913	312	9.7	3419	3114	305	8.9	3256	2929	327	10.0
CLINTON	7100	6676	424	6.0	7369	6980	389	5.3	7149	6679	470	6.6
COLE/OSAGE LMA	36622	34664	1958	5.3	37080	34868	2212	6.0	36141	33669	2472	6.8
COOPER	6669	6301	368	5.5	7059	6691	368	5.2	6971	6495	476	6.8
CRAWFORD	7051	6427	624	8.8	7363	6888	475	6.5	7044	6367	677	9.6
DADE	3738	3600	138	3.7	3945	3829	116	2.9	3708	3504	204	5.5
DALLAS	4528	4205	323	7.1	4745	4478	267	5.6	4583	4104	479	10.5
DAVIESS	2956	2765	191	6.5	3169	2990	179	5.6	2824	2527	297	10.5
DEKALB	3286	3114	172	5.2	3461	3287	174	5.0	3136	2944	192	6.1
DENT	5797	5226	571	9.8	6046	5492	554	9.2	5913	5169	744	12.6
DOUGLAS	4347	3755	592	13.6	4718	4191	527	11.2	4377	3939	438	10.0
DUNKLIN	12552	11289	1263	10.1	13284	12026	1258	9.5	12860	11193	1667	13.0
GASCONADE	6977	6585	392	5.6	7115	6759	356	5.0	6776	6361	415	6.1
GENTRY	3920	3774	146	3.7	4085	3971	114	2.8	3985	3722	263	6.6
GRUNDY	5037	4766	271	5.4	5330	4941	389	7.3	5162	4692	470	9.1
HARRISON	4865	4651	214	4.4	5188	4983	205	4.0	4764	4439	325	6.8
HENRY	9462	8978	484	5.1	9759	9257	502	5.1	9315	8310	1005	10.8
HICKORY	2341	2170	171	7.3	2515	2367	148	5.9	2174	1961	213	9.8
HOLT	3233	3124	109	3.4	3502	3384	118	3.4	3243	3079	164	5.1
HOWARD	4440	4219	221	5.0	4652	4455	197	4.2	4436	4082	354	8.0
HOWELL	13168	12065	1103	8.4	13133	12178	955	7.3	13128	11895	1233	9.4
IRON	4343	3608	735	16.9	4411	3671	740	16.8	4542	3954	588	12.9
JOHNSON	16608	16040	568	3.4	16979	16350	629	3.7	15921	14977	944	5.9
KNOX	2262	2127	135	6.0	2457	2314	143	5.8	2450	2225	225	9.2
LACLEDE	11023	10065	958	8.7	11316	10315	1001	8.8	11151	10270	881	7.9
LAFAYETTE	14060	13419	641	4.6	14585	13897	688	4.7	13979	13045	934	6.7
LAWRENCE	12131	11251	880	7.3	12155	11461	694	5.7	11570	10563	1007	8.7

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TABLE 1
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COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - NOV 1984 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - OCT 1984 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - NOV 1983 (BENCHMARKED 1983)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5305	4939	366	6.9	5578	5181	397	7.1	5070	4429	641	12.6
LINCOLN	10215	9508	707	6.9	10523	9887	636	6.0	10004	9098	906	9.1
LINN	7396	6735	661	8.9	7721	7022	699	9.1	7877	6844	1033	13.1
LIVINGSTON	6538	6107	431	6.6	6812	6383	429	6.3	6838	6239	599	8.8
MACON	6932	6514	418	6.0	7163	6788	375	5.2	6752	6196	556	8.2
MADISON	3748	3425	323	8.6	3756	3396	360	9.6	3899	3446	453	11.6
MARIES	2445	2242	203	8.3	2623	2396	227	8.7	2543	2307	236	9.3
MARION/RALLS LMA	17752	16640	1112	6.3	18240	17124	1116	6.1	18355	16570	1785	9.7
MCDONALD	5403	5072	331	6.1	5643	5260	383	6.8	5528	4969	559	10.1
MERCER	1673	1598	75	4.5	1866	1781	85	4.6	1834	1687	147	8.0
MILLER	10104	9000	1104	10.9	10299	9490	809	7.9	9891	8770	1121	11.3
MISSISSIPPI	6382	5768	614	9.6	6410	5824	586	9.1	6279	5505	774	12.3
MONITEAU	4698	4283	415	8.8	4897	4503	394	8.0	4781	4341	440	9.2
MONROE	4374	4185	189	4.3	4708	4487	221	4.7	4362	4090	272	6.2
MONTGOMERY	5026	4666	360	7.2	5278	4948	330	6.3	5261	4802	459	8.7
MORGAN	5489	4766	723	13.2	5808	5257	551	9.5	5287	4682	605	11.4
NEW MADRID	10910	10143	767	7.0	11510	10754	756	6.6	10860	9912	948	8.7
NODAWAY	10372	10014	358	3.5	10997	10559	438	4.0	10373	9861	512	4.9
OREGON	3097	2719	378	12.2	3122	2817	305	9.8	2921	2596	325	11.1
OZARK	4039	3693	346	8.6	4280	4004	276	6.4	3761	3460	301	8.0
PEMISCOT	7946	7275	671	8.4	8216	7480	736	9.0	8074	7073	1001	12.4
PERRY	6956	6507	449	6.5	7133	6661	472	6.6	6781	6292	489	7.2
PETTIS	16252	15192	1060	6.5	16516	15496	1020	6.2	15818	14397	1421	9.0
PHELPS	15752	14828	924	5.9	15814	14906	908	5.7	15422	14242	1180	7.7
PIKE	6729	6148	581	8.6	7104	6518	586	8.2	6892	6186	706	10.2
POLK	8789	8358	431	4.9	8917	8526	391	4.4	8633	7962	671	7.8
PULASKI	8774	8160	614	7.0	8806	8171	635	7.2	8808	7902	906	10.3
PUTNAM	2863	2706	157	5.5	3061	2931	130	4.2	2992	2769	223	7.5
RANDOLPH	11207	10567	640	5.7	11479	10885	594	5.2	11475	10522	953	8.3
REYNOLDS	2194	1903	291	13.3	2254	1995	259	11.5	2568	2026	542	21.1
RIPLEY	3212	2911	301	9.4	3250	2975	275	8.5	3372	2896	476	14.1
SALINE	13402	12814	588	4.4	13800	13185	615	4.5	13588	12737	851	6.3
SCOTLAND	2298	2166	132	5.7	2484	2379	105	4.2	2401	2228	173	7.2
SCOTT	16728	15404	1324	7.9	17127	15708	1419	8.3	17384	15576	1808	10.4
SHANNON	3054	2562	492	16.1	3101	2759	342	11.0	3047	2478	569	18.7
SHELBY	3083	2968	115	3.7	3368	3223	145	4.3	3171	2973	198	6.2
ST. CLAIR	3648	3450	198	5.4	3809	3650	159	4.2	3721	3451	270	7.3
ST. FRANCOIS	19239	17576	1663	8.6	19446	17735	1711	8.8	19503	17406	2097	10.8
STE. GENEVIEVE	5567	5163	404	7.3	5578	5199	379	6.8	5710	5295	415	7.3
STODDARD	12170	11280	890	7.3	12636	11658	978	7.7	12240	10883	1357	11.1
STONE	7021	6020	1001	14.3	8343	7813	530	6.4	6526	5413	1113	17.1
SULLIVAN	3307	3118	189	5.7	3483	3312	171	4.9	3278	3052	226	6.9
TANEY	13862	12401	1461	10.5	15773	15103	670	4.2	12054	10534	1520	12.6
TEXAS	7834	6842	992	12.7	8071	6882	1189	14.7	7747	6754	993	12.8
VERNON	9289	8823	466	5.0	9547	9118	429	4.5	9370	8776	594	6.3
WARREN	6459	6042	417	6.5	6527	6109	418	6.4	6051	5494	557	9.2
WASHINGTON	4459	3625	834	18.7	4429	3736	693	15.6	4442	3542	900	20.3
WAYNE	4256	3695	561	13.2	4264	3773	491	11.5	4026	3432	594	14.8
WEBSTER	7580	6954	626	8.3	7815	7195	620	7.9	7607	6827	780	10.3
WORTH	1095	1001	94	8.6	1147	1097	50	4.4	1099	983	116	10.6
WRIGHT	7040	6463	577	8.2	7406	6815	591	8.0	7265	6662	603	8.3

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TABLE 2. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT, HOURS AND EARNINGS
MISSOURI (STATEWIDE)
DECEMBER, 1984

INDUSTRY TITLE	ALL EMPLOYEES (In Thousands)			PRODUCTION WORKERS								
				Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	1977.5	1980.0	1944.3									
Total Manufacturing	418.8	421.1	410.8	384.46	382.59	360.90	40.3	40.4	40.1	9.54	9.47	9.00
Durable Goods	238.1	240.0	230.4	423.33	422.09	398.29	41.1	41.3	40.6	10.30	10.22	9.81
Lumber & Wood Products	9.5	9.7	9.1	352.36	239.12	221.36	38.3	39.2	38.1	6.20	6.10	5.81
Furniture & Fixtures	9.3	9.2	9.1	327.00	333.14	315.98	43.6	44.3	42.7	7.50	7.52	7.40
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.7	10.6	10.9	409.90	411.68	415.17	39.3	40.6	41.6	10.43	10.14	9.98
Cement, Hydraulic	1.1	1.0	1.1	484.22	551.14	536.11	35.5	40.2	39.8	13.64	13.71	13.47
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.3	2.2	435.46	451.95	416.10	37.8	39.3	38.0	11.52	11.50	10.95
Other Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	7.4	7.3	7.6	393.90	383.35	398.90	40.4	41.0	42.8	9.75	9.35	9.32
Primary Metal Industries	13.2	13.4	12.9	411.38	399.31	438.18	38.7	37.6	40.2	10.63	10.62	10.90
Iron & Steel Foundries	2.0	2.1	1.7	339.69	335.75	345.14	39.0	39.5	39.9	8.71	8.50	8.65
Non-Ferrous Foundries	2.5	2.7	2.6	340.69	339.36	320.37	42.8	42.0	40.4	7.96	8.08	7.93
Other Primary Metals	8.5	8.6	8.6	460.04	439.67	506.12	37.1	35.4	40.2	12.40	12.42	12.59
Fabricated Metal Products	28.6	28.8	28.1	376.27	378.51	389.91	40.2	40.7	41.0	9.36	9.30	9.51
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	9.9	9.9	9.9	350.95	358.02	366.62	39.3	40.5	40.2	8.93	8.84	9.12
Other Fabricated Metal Prod.	18.7	18.9	18.2									
Machinery Exc. Electrical	30.3	30.5	30.8	399.33	405.90	405.19	40.5	41.0	40.6	9.86	9.90	9.98
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	49.2	49.6	45.3	375.60	368.78	354.40	40.0	39.4	40.0	9.39	9.36	8.86
Transportation Equipment	68.9	69.4	65.5	593.18	593.48	499.75	44.4	45.2	40.4	13.36	13.13	12.37
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	30.2	30.8	27.6	630.81	633.12	498.58	46.9	48.0	40.8	13.45	13.19	12.22
Other Transportation Equip.	38.7	38.6	37.9	525.88	521.30	503.54	39.9	40.1	39.9	13.18	13.00	12.82
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.7	11.8	11.8	321.14	305.52	332.54	39.5	38.0	43.3	8.13	8.04	7.68
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	6.9	7.0	6.9	263.59	261.19	252.17	39.4	39.1	39.9	6.69	6.68	6.32
Nondurable Goods	180.7	181.1	180.3	334.77	333.26	314.41	39.2	39.3	39.4	8.54	8.48	7.98
Food & Kindred Products	45.3	45.3	45.2	387.63	397.40	377.04	41.4	41.7	42.7	9.63	9.53	8.83
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits and Vegetables	12.3	12.1	12.0	285.12	301.46	304.73	40.5	42.7	44.1	7.04	7.06	6.91
Dairy Products	6.3	6.3	6.3	383.53	380.52	348.27	42.1	42.0	39.0	9.11	9.06	8.93
Grain Mill Products	6.9	6.9	7.4	472.61	433.72	448.29	45.4	42.9	45.1	10.41	10.11	9.94
Bakery Products	5.6	5.7	5.7	393.95	390.53	374.36	38.1	38.4	37.7	10.34	10.17	9.93
Beverages	10.3	10.3	9.9	586.80	580.02	467.74	40.0	39.7	41.8	14.67	14.61	11.19

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INDUSTRY TITLE	ALL EMPLOYEES			PRODUCTION WORKERS								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred Prod.	3.9	4.0	3.9	405.00	403.24	402.74	42.1	41.7	44.6	9.62	9.67	9.03
Textile & Apparel	24.9	25.0	25.8	190.08	192.96	179.05	35.2	35.8	34.7	5.40	5.39	5.16
Paper & Allied Products	12.8	12.9	12.7	382.30	372.11	351.75	41.6	41.3	40.2	9.19	9.01	8.75
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.4	6.6	6.4	368.55	365.98	360.60	40.5	40.8	40.7	9.10	8.97	8.86
Other Paper & Allied Products	6.4	6.3	6.3	394.90	376.97	342.14	42.6	41.7	39.6	9.27	9.04	8.64
Printing & Publishing	38.2	38.2	36.9	374.36	379.23	354.16	38.2	38.5	38.0	9.80	9.85	9.32
Commercial Printing	12.8	12.8	12.1	438.06	447.45	409.86	40.3	40.9	39.6	10.87	10.94	10.35
Other Printing & Publishing	25.4	25.4	24.8	313.49	312.27	306.71	36.2	36.1	36.6	8.66	8.65	8.38
Chemicals & Allied Products	28.2	28.2	27.5	470.64	470.48	422.68	42.4	42.5	42.1	11.10	11.07	10.04
Leather & Leather Products	18.3	18.3	19.3	186.91	183.91	192.68	35.2	34.7	36.7	5.31	5.30	5.25
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.6	14.6	15.0	183.40	179.73	189.07	35.0	34.3	36.5	5.24	5.24	5.18
Other Leather & Leather Prod.	3.7	3.7	4.3	200.48	200.93	203.86	35.8	36.4	37.2	5.60	5.52	5.48
Other Nondurable Goods	13.0	13.2	13.0	311.13	300.29	310.50	41.1	40.2	41.4	7.57	7.47	7.50
Total Nonmanufacturing	1558.7	1558.9	1533.5									
Mining	6.0	6.0	6.6									
Construction	78.8	80.9	77.7									
Transportation & Public Util.	137.0	137.4	132.9									
Railroad Transportation	13.4	13.4	13.4									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	66.7	67.0	66.5									
Communication, Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	56.9	57.0	53.0									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	468.4	465.3	460.9									
Wholesale Trade	126.7	126.4	125.5									
Retail Trade	341.7	338.9	335.4									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	109.2	109.4	108.7									
Services	413.2	416.8	409.8									
Government	346.1	343.1	336.9									
Federal Government	69.6	69.5	68.3									
State & Local Government	276.5	273.6	268.6									

Prepared by the Missouri Division of Employment Security in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Estimates are based on monthly reports from cooperating establishments.

Data cover employees who worked or received pay for the payroll period which includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers or unpaid family workers, and domestic workers. Payroll and hours data cover production and related workers in manufacturing.

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NATIONAL LABOR MARKET AND ECONOMIC CONDITIONS

National unemployment fell two-tenths of a percentage point in November, after having been relatively flat since May. Employment was up, with total civilian employment having risen by 285,000 and nonfarm payroll employment by 300,000 in November. Each of these measures has grown by more than 3 million in the past year.

Growth of the nation's production of goods and services appears to have accelerated slightly in the fourth quarter from the third quarter's anemic rate of 1.6 percent. Although the Commerce Department's highly-preliminary "flash" estimate shows only a 2.8 percent rate of growth for the fourth quarter, some analysts think this indicates a return to a more healthy growth trend. Strong growth in the U.S. Commerce Department's index of leading economic indicators in November suggests the economy is regaining some strength. A 3 to 4 percent growth rate for next year appears to be the consensus of forecasters.

OUTLOOK

After one more month (December) of limited seasonal change, the sharp winter seasonal changes in employment and unemployment should dominate the Missouri labor market picture. With the economy appearing to be returning toward a somewhat more sound footing, chances of deterioration in labor market conditions do not seem great in the next few months. The rapid economic growth experienced in early 1984 is not likely to be repeated in 1985, so large gains in employment and rapid drops in unemployment such as those experienced earlier this year are not expected in 1985.

TABLE 3. SELECTED ECONOMIC STATISTICS RELATED
TO MANPOWER DEVELOPMENTS
MISSOURI – DECEMBER, 1984

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1 Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,331,700	2,369,600	2,333,100	-37,900	-1,400
Total Employed	2,192,700	2,230,100	2,140,400	-37,400	52,300
Total Unemployed	139,000	139,500	192,700	-500	-53,700
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.0	5.9	8.3	0.1	-2.3
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	1,977,500	1,980,000	1,944,300	-2,500	33,200
Manufacturing	418,800	421,100	410,800	-2,300	8,000
Durable Goods	238,100	240,000	230,400	-1,900	7,700
Nondurable Goods	180,700	181,100	180,400	-400	300
Nonmanufacturing	1,558,700	1,558,900	1,533,500	-200	25,200
State Initial Claims (Wkly. Avg.)	8,549	7,997	8,290	552	259
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly. Avg.)	42,097	34,252	43,936	7,845	-1,839
Insured Unemployment Rate	1.3	2.1	2.8	-0.8	-1.5
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,403	3,300	4,558	103	-1,155
Amount of Benefits Paid	$13,096,821	$11,070,303	$13,359,212	$2,026,518	-$262,391
State U.I.	12,784,657	10,798,154	12,963,432	1,986,503	-178,775
UCFE	147,689	128,548	171,642	19,141	-23,953
UCX	164,475	143,601	224,138	20,874	-59,663

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KANSAS CITY LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The Kansas City Area includes Jackson, Clay, Cass, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson and Wyandotte counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the Area has been published at 1,327,020 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

NOVEMBER, 1984

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The unemployment rate for the Kansas City Area stood at 4.7 per cent in November 1984, unchanged from the revised October rate, but down by 1.7 percentage points from the rate prevailing last year in November. Despite the strong gain in seasonal employment in the Retail Trade sector, seasonal losses in Construction, Services and non-payroll employment contributed to a drop in the civilian employment (by place-of-residence) of 3,000 residents. The number of unemployed persons was down by 200 over-the-month to 32,600 and down by 11,500 from last year's level. Despite showing a decline of 3,200 over-the-month, the civilian labor force was up by 2,300 over the level last year. Both payroll employment with 13,800 additional jobs and civilian employment with 13,900 additional workers showed comparable growth over-the-year.

Wage and salaried employment in November 1984 was 634,600 persons, up by 300 from the October 1984 total of 634,300 persons. The modest increase occurred as losses spread among the manufacturing industries and seasonal losses in Construction and Services dampened the seasonal gains in Retail Grade. In addition to a gain of 2,300 jobs in Retail Trade, as merchants prepared for the holiday shopping, moderate gains of 300 jobs each occurred in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate and State and Local Government. All other nonmanufacturing industries were unchanged or showed job losses over-the-month. Services declined by 1,000 as lay offs in recreational activities continued. Construction began its winter slump with a decline of 900 jobs and wholesale trade showed a moderate loss of 200 jobs over-the-month.

Overall employment in the manufacturing sector fell by 500 jobs over-the-month. Small losses were spread across the goods producing industries, Durable Goods manufacturing showed the most decline with losses in Stone, Clay and Glass, Fabricated Metals, Machinery, Electrical Equipment and Motor Vehicles. Within the nondurable goods manufacturing sector, Paper and Allied and Printing and Publishing showed small declines. Modest gains were recorded in Lumber and Furniture, Primary metals and Chemicals.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 13,900 jobs from November 1983 to November 1984, with employment gains of 2,000 in Durable Goods Manufacturing, 2,300 jobs in Nondurable Goods manufacturing and 9,600 jobs in Nonmanufacturing. The Construction industry showed the largest over-the-year growth as increased building construction contracts added 2,900 more jobs to the area. Among other nonmanufacturing industries, increased consumer and business activity spurred the growth of 1,900 additional jobs in the Service sector, 1,700 more jobs in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate and 1,400 new jobs in Wholesale Trade. Except for a small loss in State and Local Government, all other industries within the sector showed over-the-year gains. Among the manufacturing industries, Motor Vehicles accounted for 1,400 of the total 4,300 jobs added over the year. Electrical Equipment and Printing and Publishing recorded gains of 1,200 jobs each. As in previous months, the only significant loss in Manufacturing over-the-year occurred in Machinery which dropped by 1,000.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 32,600 in November 1984, for 4.7 per cent of the labor force, compared to 32,800 in October 1984 for 4.7 per cent of the labor force and 44,100 in November 1983 for 6.4 per cent of the labor force.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT FORECAST

Unseasonally mild December weather conditions may dampen the usually severe slump in Construction employment, but reported lay-offs in Manufacturing may contribute to a slight rise in the December unemployment rate. Retail trade employment will peak as merchants hire temporary workers to serve holiday shoppers. Service employment will continue to taper off as the year ends. The unemployment rate is expected to be 4.8 per cent of the labor force in December 1984, compared to 4.7 per cent in November 1984 and 6.3 per cent in December 1983.

Lay-offs across several nonmanufacturing industries will push the January unemployment rate close to the six per cent level. As the holidays draw to a close, area merchants will lay off seasonal workers and send retail trade employment down sharply. Services employment will reach its yearly low point. Construction employment will continue to decline. The only significant increase expected will be the seasonal hiring of tax processors. The unemployment rate is expected to be 5.8 per cent of the labor force in January 1985, compared to 7.9 per cent in January 1984.

KANSAS CITY AREA-MISSOURI JOB SERVICE STATISTICS

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 29,225 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of November 1984. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	16.8
	22-44	67.5
	45 and over	15.7
Sex:	Male	60.1
	Female	39.9
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	33.5
	Other Non-White	1.1
	Hispanic	2.0

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	49.9
Veterans	21.0
Handicapped	2.9

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated November 30, 1984.

JOB PLACEMENTS

During November 1984, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 9,153 and job placements totaled 2 440. There were 1,354 veteran referrals in November 1984, with 274 veteran placements. During October 1984, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 10,399 and job placements totaled 2,487. There were 1,788 veteran referals in October 1984, with 378 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated November 30, 1984.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED IN THE KANSAS CITY AREA (MISSOURI SIDE ONLY)
NOVEMBER, 1984

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	17.1	18.3	17.7
25-34	39.4	35.9	38.0
35-44	21.9	22.0	21.9
45-54	11.6	12.9	12.1
55-64	8.9	9.0	8.9
65 and over	0.7	1.8	1.2
Unreported	0.4	0.1	0.2

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agriculture	0.3
Mining	0.2
Construction	7.1
Manufacturing	23.8
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	4.9
Wholesale & Retail Trade	18.9
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.6
Services	31.0
All Other	10.2
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	12.3
Clerical	18.0
Sales	4.0
Services	17.1
Farming, Fishing & Forestry	0.6
Processing	2.6
Machine Trades	6.4
Bench Work	5.0
Structural Work	10.3
Miscellaneous	15.4
Information not available	8.3

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 4,746; 2,824 were male and 1,917 were female.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK - March 1983)

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas   Month and Year of Current Data November, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	634,600	634,300	620,700	+300	+13,900
Total Manufacturing	116,700	117,300	112,400	-500	+4,300
Durable Goods	66,700	67,100	64,700	-400	+2,000
Lumber & Furniture	2,900	2,800	2,800	+100	+100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,800	3,900	3,900	-100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	3,600	3,500	3,200	+100	+400
Fabricated Metal Products	9,400	9,500	9,400	-100	0
Machinery Except Electrical	7,600	7,800	8,600	-200	-1,000
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,600	21,700	20,400	-100	+1,200
Transportation Equipment	14,200	14,300	12,800	-100	+1,400
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,000)	(14,100)	(12,600)	(-100)	(+1,400)
Other Durable Goods	3,600	3,600	3,600	0	0
Nondurable Goods	50,000	50,100	47,700	-100	+2,300
Food & Kindred Products	9,500	9,500	9,300	0	+200
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,600	2,600	2,300	0	+300
Paper & Allied Products	5,000	5,100	5,000	-100	0
Printing & Publishing	18,900	19,000	17,700	-100	+1,200
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,700	8,600	8,200	+100	+500
Petroleum & Coal Products	500	500	500	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,800	4,800	4,700	0	+100
Total Nonmanufacturing	517,900	517,100	508,300	+800	+9,600
Mining & Quarrying	600	600	500	0	+100
Construction	26,800	27,700	23,900	-900	+2,900
Transportation & Utilities	50,700	50,700	49,900	0	+800
Wholesale & Retail Trade	162,800	160,700	161,200	+2,100	+1,600
Wholesale Trade	(52,800)	(53,000)	(51,400)	(-200)	(+1,400)
Retail Trade	(110,000)	(107,700)	(109,800)	(+2,300)	(+200)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	49,100	48,800	47,400	+300	+1,700
Services	138,200	139,200	136,300	-1,000	+1,900
Government	89,700	89,400	89,100	+300	+600
Federal Government	(23,600)	(23,600)	(22,900)	(0)	(+700)
State & Local Government	(66,100)	(65,800)	(66,200)	(+300)	(-100)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	300	0	-200

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TABLE 2. PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas Month and Year of Current Data November, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$451.08	$445.46	$413.31	42.0	41.4	40.6	$10.74	$10.76	$10.18
DURABLE GOODS	490.88	478.50	441.72	42.5	41.5	40.9	11.55	11.53	10.80
Lumber & Furniture	324.00	324.41	328.04	40.5	40.3	40.3	8.00	8.07	8.14
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	496.18	538.68	465.31	44.5	40.2	39.3	11.15	13.40	11.84
Primary Metal Industries	410.15	405.60	395.85	39.4	39.0	39.0	10.41	10.40	10.15
Fabricated Metal Products	372.19	379.04	359.19	40.9	41.2	39.0	9.10	9.20	9.21
Machinery Exc. Electrical	410.65	383.72	431.39	39.6	37.4	41.4	10.37	10.26	10.42
Elect. Equip. & Supplies	487.46	456.96	455.80	43.1	42.0	43.0	11.31	10.88	10.60
Transportation Equipment	675.30	662.61	543.05	44.9	44.5	40.8	15.04	14.89	13.31
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	679.95	666.17	548.88	45.0	44.5	40.9	15.11	14.97	13.42
Other Durable Goods	252.41	243.27	232.56	37.9	37.6	38.0	6.66	6.47	6.12
NONDURABLE GOODS	382.34	386.46	365.82	41.2	41.2	40.2	9.28	9.38	9.10
Food & Kindred Products	424.22	414.69	417.78	43.2	42.1	42.5	9.82	9.85	9.83
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	189.84	182.79	186.10	33.9	32.7	34.4	5.60	5.59	5.41
Paper & Allied Products	369.64	370.94	343.04	41.3	42.2	40.5	8.95	8.79	8.47
Printing & Publishing	385.45	412.93	384.31	38.7	38.7	37.9	9.96	10.67	10.14
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	480.85	491.13	449.34	44.4	45.9	41.3	10.83	10.70	10.88
Petroleum & Coal Prod.	368.74	362.46	292.07	40.7	39.7	36.6	9.06	9.13	7.98
Other Nondurable Goods	307.02	297.73	293.78	43.0	42.5	42.7	7.14	6.77	6.88

*This series excludes industry 2771.

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ST. LOUIS LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe and St. Clair Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,355,276 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

NOVEMBER, 1984

RUSSELL SIGNORINO, ANALYST

AREA LABOR FORCE DEVELOPMENTS

The St. Louis SMSA unemployment rate declined from 7.1% in October to 6.6% in November. This unexpected substantial decrease was caused by employment movements in construction, trade and services. In the construction industry, employment usually declines by 2000 to 3000 workers in November from October. This year the decline was only 1100 workers. The service sector also usually drops by about 2000 but this November the decrease was only 300. Trade, in preparation for an expected strong holiday shopping season, added about 2000 more workers to their payrolls than they normally do over the month. These three major industries combined to bring unemployment down by 6800 and caused employment to rise by 900 workers. Total employment stood at 1,073,700, a record high November level. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment stood at 1,030,300 in November. Nonagricultural employment usually declines about 0.2% from October to November, but this year it increased 0.3%. The November level was 3200 above October. Over the year, unemployment declined by 27,500 and employment increased 31,600. The unemployment rate in November, 1983 was 9.0%. There were 500 labor disputants in November, 200 in October, and 300 in November, 1983.

MANUFACTURING

Manufacturing employment declined by 700 over the month. Primary metals dropped by 300 as 200 workers were affected by a labor dispute in November. The food and kindred industry (-300) and textiles (-200) continued to experience job losses this month. Over the year, manufacturing increased by 4600. Durable goods added 5900 workers while nondurables continued below 1983 levels. Most of the 1300 decrease in nondurables occurred in food (-600) and leather (-500).

NONMANUFACTURING

Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 3900 over the month. Trade experienced strong temporary job increases in preparation for the holiday shopping season, adding 4600 workers. Construction (-1100) and services (-300) declined less than normal this year. The construction industry has remained strong throughout 1984 and the services sector registered only minor job losses this November in hotels, amusement and recreation. Over the year, nonmanufacturing increased by 23000. Railroads, which remained unchanged, is the only sector that did not experience higher employment levels over 1983.

UNEMPLOYMENT & MANPOWER RESOURCES

State UI continued claimants in the SMSA were up 800 in November from October, 1984. In the Missouri portion of the SMSA they were up 600 and in the Illinois portion they were up 200.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
INA	0	0	0	0
Agriculture	18	14	23	24
Mining	90	107	105	72
Construction	742	734	901	987
Manufacturing Total	3314	2912	3237	3363
Food	261	255	349	398
Textile	23	27	26	30
Apparel	213	213	208	145
Lumber	22	25	29	36
Furniture	91	83	82	89
Paper	121	97	99	115
Printing	147	126	135	151
Chemicals	145	169	199	168
Petroleum	27	37	17	14
Rubber	117	108	115	127
Leather	265	261	312	438
Stone	34	32	74	44
Primary Metal	234	221	186	184
Fabricated Metal	410	342	369	407
Machinery	74	99	80	67
Electrical Machinery	179	206	239	219
Transportation Equip.	582	226	281	300
Instruments	29	18	33	16
Miscellaneous	339	365	399	410
Public Utilities	785	439	561	646
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2178	1834	2009	1817
Finance	289	284	300	244
Services	6087	5031	5541	5147
All Other	271	217	310	311
TOTAL	13774	11572	12988	12611

Of the 12,611 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in November, 1984, 56.6 percent were male and 43.4 percent were female.

The occupational distribution of the intrastate Missouri resident claimant is:

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1724	1661	1730	1534
Clerical	2102	2075	2213	1966
Sales	575	556	636	533
Farm, Fish & Forest	74	61	76	99
Processing	223	246	260	245
Machine Trades	857	816	973	1048
Bench Work	683	702	749	704
Structural Work	843	793	1016	1037
Misc. Work	1638	1332	1628	1596
Domestic	67	40	66	68
Other Services	2417	2004	2181	2271
INA	2571	1286	1460	1510
TOTAL	13774	11572	12988	12611

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Minority	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	45.9	15.1	21.5	42.1	2.2
Placements, %	42.7	13.6	39.9	38.6	2.0

AVAILABLE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The occupational percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	5.9	1.5
Clerical	18.4	14.0
Sales	16.5	21.5
Processing	1.2	1.5
Machine Trades	4.8	4.7
Bench Work	3.3	3.5
Structural Work	5.2	4.8
Motor Freight & Transportation	3.6	3.1
Packaging & Material Handling	10.3	14.8
Domestic	1.1	1.0
Other Services	28.6	28.5
Other Occupations	1.1	1.1

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

The unemployment rate for December is expected to be 6.6% and in January, 1985 7.6%.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)

Area and State St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area Month and Year of Current Data November, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change to Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,030,300	1,027,100	1,002,700	+3,200	+27,600
Percent Change				+(0.3)	+(2.8)
Manufacturing	221,900	222,600	217,300	-700	+4,600
Durable Goods	140,100	140,000	134,200	+100	+5,900
Lumber & Furniture	4,500	4,400	4,700	+100	-200
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,400	3,300	3,300	+100	+100
Primary Metal Industries	14,500	14,800	14,400	-300	+100
Fabricated Metal Products	17,400	17,500	16,900	-100	+500
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,600	18,500	18,000	+100	+600
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	14,000	13,900	13,500	+100	+500
Transportation Equipment	55,500	55,400	51,100	+100	+4,400
Motor Vehicles	19,100	19,100	15,400	0	+3,700
Aircraft & Parts	35,300	35,200	34,400	+100	+900
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,200	12,200	12,300	0	-100
Nondurable Goods	81,800	82,600	83,100	-800	-1,300
Food & Kindred Products	20,600	20,900	21,200	-300	-600
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,300	0	-100
Beverages	8,500	8,500	8,500	0	0
Textiles & Apparel	6,600	6,800	7,000	-200	-400
Paper & Paper Products	5,600	5,700	5,800	-100	-200
Printing & Publishing	15,600	15,500	15,100	+100	+600
Chemical & Allied Products	20,500	20,600	20,400	-100	+100
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,600	2,600	2,600	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	5,300	5,400	5,800	-100	-500
Other Nondurable Goods	5,000	5,100	5,200	-100	-200
Nonmanufacturing	808,400	804,500	785,400	+3,900	+23,000
Mining	3,800	3,700	3,500	+100	+300
Construction	52,700	53,800	46,400	-1,100	+6,300
Transportation & Public Utilities	72,600	72,600	71,200	0	+1,400
Railroads	7,600	7,600	7,600	0	0
Transportation, Except Railroads	37,200	37,100	36,000	+100	+1,200
Communications & Public Utilities	27,800	27,900	27,600	-100	+200
Wholesale & Retail Trade	243,900	239,300	233,500	+4,600	+10,400
Wholesale Trade	63,500	62,600	61,400	+900	+2,100
Retail Trade	180,400	176,700	172,100	+3,700	+8,300
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	59,600	59,700	59,000	-100	+600
Service, Except Domestic	235,100	235,400	233,300	-300	+1,800
Total Government	140,700	140,000	138,500	+700	+2,200
Total Federal Government	38,000	37,900	37,500	+100	+500
Total State & Local Government	102,700	102,100	101,000	+600	+1,700
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	500	200	300	+300	+200

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TABLE 2. AVERAGE HOURS & EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State St. Louis Metropolitan Area Month and Year of Current Data November, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$439.50	$441.45	$412.27	40.1	40.5	40.3	10.96	10.90	10.23
DURABLE GOODS	457.97	459.20	423.31	40.6	41.0	40.2	11.28	11.20	10.53
Lumber & Furniture	363.58	351.51	339.02	43.7	42.3	41.7	8.32	8.31	8.13
Stone, Clay & Glass	422.53	391.55	405.82	39.6	38.5	40.3	10.67	10.17	10.07
Primary Metal Industries	426.38	427.61	438.20	35.8	36.3	39.3	11.91	11.78	11.15
Fabricated Metal Products	404.14	406.76	405.32	38.6	39.3	40.9	10.47	10.35	9.91
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	447.45	452.65	420.80	40.9	41.3	40.0	10.94	10.96	10.52
Elect. & Electronic Equip.	327.32	322.09	286.44	39.2	38.9	39.4	8.35	8.28	7.27
Transportation Equipment	582.96	590.91	516.43	43.7	44.8	40.6	13.34	13.19	12.72
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	299.93	290.70	304.97	38.7	38.0	39.3	7.75	7.65	7.76
NONDURABLE GOODS	408.72	411.05	392.52	39.3	39.6	40.3	10.40	10.38	9.74
Food & Kindred Products	502.63	507.98	457.29	40.6	40.9	43.1	12.38	12.42	10.61
Textiles & Apparel	218.77	202.88	207.79	36.1	34.8	36.2	6.06	5.83	5.74
Paper & Paper Products	437.93	432.23	403.10	42.6	42.5	40.8	10.28	10.17	9.88
Printing & Publishing	392.99	411.34	397.85	36.9	38.3	36.5	10.65	10.74	10.90
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	462.84	464.51	460.93	40.6	41.4	42.6	11.40	11.22	10.82
Petroleum & Coal Products	589.11	595.16	617.04	42.2	42.3	43.7	13.96	14.07	14.12
Leather & Leather Products	192.39	188.84	199.43	35.3	35.1	38.5	5.45	5.38	5.18
Other Nondurable Goods	312.42	311.60	310.72	39.9	40.0	41.1	7.83	7.79	7.56

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SPRINGFIELD LABOR MARKET REVIEW
(GREEN AND CHRISTIAN COUNTIES)
NOVEMBER, 1984

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AREA LABOR FORCE DEVELOPMENTS

The rate of unemployment in the Springfield SMSA for November, estimated at 4.6 percent of the labor force, remains unchanged from the October revised figure. The November percentage represents 5,200 persons unemployed from a total labor force of 113,600.

During November 1983, there were 7,400 unemployed and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 6.5 percent of the labor force.

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

Payrolled employment decreased 300 from October to 93,800 in November. This is the net result of a 400 reduction in manufacturing jobs and a gain of 100 jobs in the nonmanufacturing sector.

Several sizeable lay-offs accounted for slightly over 300 manufacturing workers idled and numerous small reductions accumulated an additional 100 job losses. This leaves an estimated 19,400 persons engaged in manufacturing work during November.

Nonmanufacturing employment was up 100 from October to reach 74,400 in November. Nonmanufacturing industries posting job increases during the month include trade (+200) and state and local government (+200). Job losses during the 30 day period occurred in construction (-100), transportation and utilities (-100) and services (-100).

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers fell four cents from October to $8.27 in November. Factors contributing to this drop include less overtime worked and lower earnings because of piece work or lower incentive pay. Average weekly hours worked rose six-tenths of an hour from October to reach 38.5 hours in November.

During November 1983, average hourly wages amounted to $8.14 and the average factory work week come to 38.1 hours.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK- March, 1983)

Area and State Springfield, Missouri Month and Year of Current Data November, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary Employment (Exc. Domestics)	93,800	94,100	92,400	-300	+1,400
Manufacturing	19,400	19,800	19,100	-400	+300
Durable Goods	10,500	10,600	10,000	-100	+500
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	1,000	900	800	+100	+200
Other Durable Goods	9,500	9,700	9,200	-200	+300
Nondurable Goods	8,900	9,200	9,100	-300	-200
Food Processing	3,900	3,900	4,000	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,500	0	+100
Other Nondurable Goods	3,400	3,700	3,600	-300	-200
Nonmanufacturing	74,400	74,300	73,300	+100	+1,100
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,600	3,700	3,300	-100	+400
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	6,000	6,000	-100	-100
Trade	26,500	26,300	26,000	-200	+500
Finane, Insurance & Real Estate	3,900	3,900	3,800	0	+100
Services	22,200	22,300	22,300	-100	-100
Government	12,200	12,000	11,800	+200	+400
Federal	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
State and Local	10,600	10,400	10,200	+200	+400
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

Payrolled employment is expected to remain near the current level during December. Small reductions in manufacturing and construction jobs should be off-set by hiring activity in retail trade establishments in response to the Christmas season.

The number of unemployed persons is expected to record a slight rise during December. The rate of unemployment will inch upward about two-tenths of a percentage point during the 30 day period. A more substantial seasonal jump in the rate of unemployment can be expected in January.

TABLE 2. GROSS AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

Area and State Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current Data November, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X
Manufacturing	$318.40	$314.95	$310.13	38.5	37.9	38.1	$8.27	$8.31	$8.14
Durable Goods	307.64	310.73	291.19	38.6	38.6	37.0	7.97	8.05	7.87
Nondurable Goods	336.27	322.51	334.57	38.3	36.9	39.5	8.78	8.74	8.47
Food & Kindred Products	368.93	370.12	368.81	39.5	39.5	41.3	9.34	9.37	9.93
Other Nondurable Goods	318.10	297.14	314.88	37.6	35.4	38.4	8.46	8.37	8.20

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

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MISSOURI LABOR MARKET REVIEW

BILL NIBLACK, LABOR ECONOMIST **RANDALL CLARK, ANALYST** **DATA MONTH: DECEMBER, 1984**

Missouri unemployment reversed a year-long downward trend in December, as the rate climbed by seven-tenths of a point from November to 6.7 percent. Although the normal winter increase in unemployment probably accounts for some of this increase, temporary layoffs in the garment and other industries apparently contributed to the greater-than-expected jump. About 156,300 Missourians were estimated to have been unemployed in December, an increase of 15,900 from November.

Total employment fell by about 11,200 to 2,181,700, about in line with the usual seasonal movement. In the nonfarm payroll sector, employment was virtually unchanged from December, as a strong gain in retail trade offset seasonal declines in construction, services, and state and local government. Total nonfarm payroll employment in December is estimated as 1,978,400, only 600 greater than the November estimate. Manufacturing employment was also little changed from November.

Preliminary annual average employment and unemployment data for 1984 show an increase in total employment of some 77,000 from the 1983 average. Since the labor force grew by only 20,000 in the period, unemployment dropped by about 57,000

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STATEWIDE EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT
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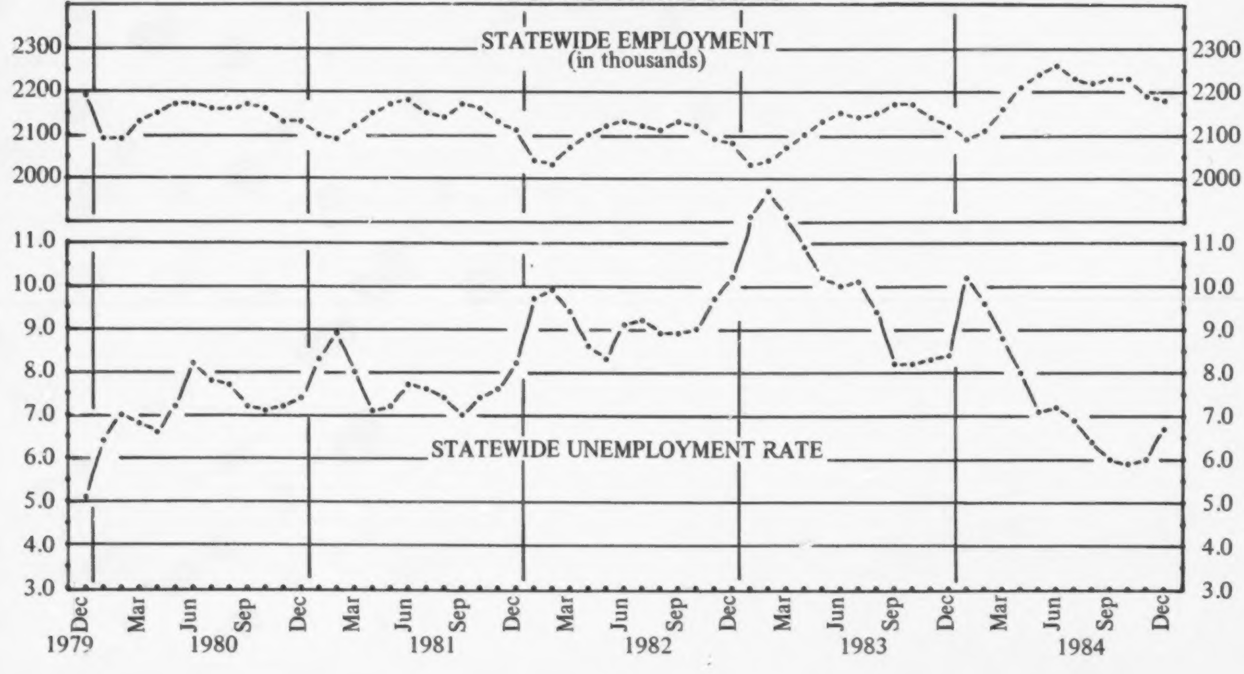

TABLE 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - DEC 1984 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - NOV 1984 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - DEC 1983 (BENCHMARKED 1983)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2338063	2181732	156331	6.7	2333307	2192895	140412	6.0	2318555	2123452	195103	8.4
ST. LOUIS SMSA	1153942	1073042	80900	7.0	1149766	1073484	76282	6.6	1141209	1038846	102363	9.0
KANSAS CITY SMSA	690470	655400	35070	5.1	688219	655240	32979	4.8	681053	637887	43166	6.3
SPRINGFIELD SMSA	114080	108362	5718	5.0	113713	108440	5273	4.6	114241	106916	7325	6.4
COLUMBIA SMSA	59861	57754	2107	3.5	60314	58425	1889	3.1	56464	53961	2503	4.4
JOPLIN SMSA	58550	54867	3683	6.3	58113	54836	3277	5.6	57299	52721	4578	8.0
ST. JOSEPH SMSA	45047	41256	3791	8.4	44640	41337	3303	7.4	45053	40916	4137	9.2
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	15782	14807	975	6.2	15825	14972	853	5.4	16170	15197	973	6.0
ATCHISON	3974	3721	253	6.4	4046	3822	224	5.5	5133	4925	208	4.1
AUDRAIN	10959	10093	866	7.9	10980	10286	694	6.3	10580	9663	917	8.7
BARRY	11252	10587	665	5.9	11056	10321	735	6.6	11227	10321	906	8.1
BARTON	4851	4628	223	4.6	4945	4703	242	4.9	4804	4577	227	4.7
BATES	7308	6900	408	5.6	7245	6871	374	5.2	7444	6778	666	8.9
BENTON	5406	4934	472	8.7	5397	5053	344	6.4	5100	4581	519	10.2
BOLLINGER	2951	2559	392	13.3	3065	2652	413	13.5	3212	2522	690	21.5
BUTLER	16698	15120	1578	9.5	16633	15232	1401	8.4	15603	13653	1950	12.5
CALDWELL	3465	3263	202	5.8	3503	3335	168	4.8	3601	3279	322	8.9
CALLAWAY	17957	16725	1232	6.9	17912	16791	1121	6.3	20034	18597	1437	7.2
CAMDEN	12004	10849	1155	9.6	12489	11575	914	7.3	11219	9946	1273	11.3
CAPE GIRARDEAU	31155	29606	1549	5.0	31115	29809	1306	4.2	30808	28826	1982	6.4
CARROLL	4426	4157	269	6.1	4472	4219	253	5.7	4437	4044	393	8.9
CARTER	2608	2224	384	14.7	2645	2281	364	13.8	2672	2229	443	16.6
CEDAR	4263	3927	336	7.9	4286	4012	274	6.4	4203	3849	354	8.4
CHARITON	4767	4424	343	7.2	4801	4490	311	6.5	4571	4158	413	9.0
CLARK	3198	2851	347	10.9	3226	2912	314	9.7	3202	2871	331	10.3
CLINTON	7052	6558	494	7.0	7091	6668	423	6.0	7066	6551	515	7.3
COLE/OSAGE LMA	36899	34748	2151	5.8	36619	34642	1977	5.4	33872	31367	2505	7.4
COOPER	6812	6062	750	11.0	6660	6299	361	5.4	6994	6439	555	7.9
CRAWFORD	7044	6346	698	9.9	7047	6424	623	8.8	7058	6321	737	10.4
DADE	3661	3495	166	4.5	3739	3598	141	3.8	3654	3440	214	5.9
DALLAS	4642	4124	518	11.2	4525	4203	322	7.1	4424	3966	458	10.4
DAVIESS	2886	2692	194	6.7	2954	2764	190	6.4	2810	2458	352	12.5
DEKALB	3441	3185	256	7.4	3412	3237	175	5.1	3077	2880	197	6.4
DENT	6004	5385	619	10.3	5967	5396	571	9.6	5937	4936	1001	16.9
DOUGLAS	4377	3733	644	14.7	4360	3754	606	13.9	4287	3844	443	10.3
DUNKLIN	12658	11120	1538	12.2	12552	11286	1266	10.1	12837	11080	1757	13.7
GASCONADE	6870	6462	408	5.9	6981	6583	398	5.7	6755	6305	450	6.7
GENTRY	3833	3678	155	4.0	3917	3772	145	3.7	3905	3624	281	7.2
GRUNDY	5081	4729	352	6.9	5050	4765	285	5.6	5125	4658	467	9.1
HARRISON	4744	4534	210	4.4	4863	4644	219	4.5	4719	4365	354	7.5
HENRY	9518	8825	693	7.3	9465	8975	490	5.2	9102	8239	863	9.5
HICKORY	2413	2212	201	8.3	2468	2297	171	6.9	2158	1933	225	10.4
HOLT	3188	3019	169	5.3	3304	3186	118	3.6	3117	2933	184	5.9
HOWARD	4465	4091	374	8.4	4444	4217	227	5.1	4547	4179	368	8.1
HOWELL	13170	12044	1126	8.5	13156	12061	1095	8.3	13132	11945	1187	9.0
IRON	4333	3550	783	18.1	4307	3575	732	17.0	4502	3960	542	12.0
JOHNSON	16322	15722	600	3.7	16600	16034	566	3.4	15604	14735	869	5.6
KNOX	2252	2096	156	6.9	2263	2127	136	6.0	2402	2156	246	10.2
LACLEDE	11317	9520	1797	15.9	11034	10062	972	8.8	11102	10177	925	8.3
LAFAYETTE	14048	13355	693	4.9	14053	13405	648	4.6	13772	12825	947	6.9
LAWRENCE	12049	11174	875	7.3	12160	11247	913	7.5	11560	10497	1063	9.2

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TABLE 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - DEC 1984 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - NOV 1984 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - DEC 1983 (BENCHMARKED 1983)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5458	5065	393	7.2	5309	4938	371	7.0	5236	4613	623	11.9
LINCOLN	10264	9470	794	7.7	10213	9504	709	6.9	9987	9012	975	9.8
LINN	7374	6728	646	8.8	7399	6733	666	9.0	7781	6854	927	11.9
LIVINGSTON	6547	6078	469	7.2	6547	6105	442	6.8	6811	6154	657	9.6
MACON	6836	6419	417	6.1	6928	6512	416	6.0	6569	6027	542	8.3
MADISON	3772	3395	377	10.0	3750	3424	326	8.7	4010	3560	450	11.2
MARIES	2480	2256	224	9.0	2456	2249	207	8.4	2492	2245	247	9.9
MARION/RALLS LMA	17697	16422	1275	7.2	17745	16627	1118	6.3	18021	16218	1803	10.0
MCDONALD	5366	4973	393	7.3	5407	5070	337	6.2	5447	4866	581	10.7
MERCER	1645	1542	103	6.3	1674	1597	77	4.6	1797	1654	143	8.0
MILLER	9742	8597	1145	11.8	10044	8934	1110	11.1	9907	8517	1390	14.0
MISSISSIPPI	6229	5525	704	11.3	6452	5820	632	9.8	6272	5427	845	13.5
MONITEAU	4635	3981	654	14.1	4705	4282	423	9.0	4693	3997	696	14.8
MONROE	4376	4107	269	6.1	4376	4183	193	4.4	4332	4025	307	7.1
MONTGOMERY	5074	4644	430	8.5	5028	4664	364	7.2	5228	4740	488	9.3
MORGAN	5432	4773	659	12.1	5488	4765	723	13.2	5278	4601	677	12.8
NEW MADRID	10940	9945	995	9.1	10893	10124	769	7.1	10757	9674	1083	10.1
NODAWAY	10403	9986	417	4.0	10530	10166	364	3.5	10260	9659	601	5.9
OREGON	3089	2664	425	13.8	3103	2725	378	12.2	2989	2591	398	13.3
OZARK	3902	3526	376	9.6	4036	3692	344	8.5	3618	3274	344	9.5
PEMISCOT	7984	7174	810	10.1	7933	7272	661	8.3	7990	6888	1102	13.8
PERRY	6862	6383	479	7.0	6954	6505	449	6.5	6716	6182	534	8.0
PETTIS	16041	14866	1175	7.3	16219	15156	1063	6.6	15642	14222	1420	9.1
PHELPS	15588	14625	963	6.2	15702	14759	943	6.0	15414	14238	1176	7.6
PIKE	6714	6038	676	10.1	6729	6146	583	8.7	6900	6089	811	11.8
POLK	8922	8303	619	6.9	8784	8355	429	4.9	8446	7836	610	7.2
PULASKI	8841	7840	1001	11.3	8792	8157	635	7.2	8811	7869	942	10.7
PUTNAM	2805	2611	194	6.9	2863	2705	158	5.5	2950	2699	251	8.5
RANDOLPH	11336	10579	757	6.7	11256	10608	648	5.8	11267	10342	925	8.2
REYNOLDS	2203	1863	340	15.4	2192	1903	289	13.2	2475	1976	499	20.2
RIPLEY	3218	2886	332	10.3	3215	2910	305	9.5	3349	2878	471	14.1
SALINE	13466	12782	684	5.1	13413	12822	591	4.4	13477	12576	901	6.7
SCOTLAND	2268	2132	136	6.0	2298	2165	133	5.8	2341	2162	179	7.6
SCOTT	16766	15265	1501	9.0	16778	15438	1340	8.0	17408	15553	1855	10.7
SHANNON	3004	2514	490	16.3	3059	2561	498	16.3	3169	2462	707	22.3
SHELBY	3062	2887	175	5.7	3080	2967	113	3.7	3073	2853	220	7.2
ST. CLAIR	3623	3372	251	6.9	3647	3449	198	5.4	3676	3365	311	8.5
ST. FRANCOIS	19526	17514	2012	10.3	19297	17631	1666	8.6	19232	17191	2041	10.6
STE. GENEVIEVE	5555	5119	436	7.8	5572	5162	410	7.4	5752	5231	521	9.1
STODDARD	12426	11282	1144	9.2	12173	11277	896	7.4	12098	10524	1574	13.0
STONE	6883	5654	1229	17.9	7023	6017	1006	14.3	6548	5286	1262	19.3
SULLIVAN	3214	3015	199	6.2	3310	3117	193	5.8	3291	3040	251	7.6
TANEY	13403	11517	1886	14.1	13871	12397	1474	10.6	11615	9758	1857	16.0
TEXAS	8012	6535	1477	18.4	7843	6839	1004	12.8	7845	6818	1027	13.1
VERNON	9208	8717	491	5.3	9276	8815	461	5.0	9240	8635	605	6.5
WARREN	6520	6056	464	7.1	6441	6023	418	6.5	6019	5427	592	9.8
WASHINGTON	4460	3632	828	18.6	4465	3624	841	18.8	4386	3537	849	19.4
WAYNE	4254	3616	638	15.0	4265	3694	571	13.4	4054	3412	642	15.8
WEBSTER	7592	6452	1140	15.0	7612	6984	628	8.3	7431	6655	776	10.4
WORTH	1035	953	82	7.9	1090	1001	89	8.2	1059	957	102	9.6
WRIGHT	7078	6353	725	10.2	7047	6461	586	8.3	7141	6544	597	8.4

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TABLE 2. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT, HOURS AND EARNINGS
MISSOURI (STATEWIDE)
DECEMBER, 1984

INDUSTRY TITLE	ALL EMPLOYEES			PRODUCTION WORKERS								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	1978.4	1977.8	1940.9									
Total Manufacturing	419.0	418.8	412.1	390.86	382.15	373.42	40.8	40.1	40.9	9.58	9.53	9.13
Durable Goods	238.8	238.2	232.0	435.54	421.48	417.78	42.0	41.0	42.2	10.37	10.28	9.90
Lumber & Wood Products	9.5	9.5	9.0	244.45	238.08	224.64	39.3	38.4	38.4	6.22	6.20	5.85
Furniture & Fixtures	9.5	9.3	9.0	330.92	325.69	304.61	44.3	43.6	41.5	7.47	7.47	7.34
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.6	10.7	10.8	416.15	410.94	408.24	41.0	39.4	41.7	10.15	10.43	9.79
Cement, Hydraulic	1.1	1.1	1.2	522.84	484.22	542.57	38.7	35.5	40.4	13.51	13.64	13.43
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.2	2.2	441.58	435.46	443.20	38.6	37.8	40.0	11.44	11.52	11.08
Other Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	7.3	7.4	7.4	393.44	393.33	377.36	41.9	40.3	42.4	9.39	9.76	8.90
Primary Metal Industries	13.3	13.0	12.9	426.93	417.09	456.91	39.9	39.2	41.2	10.70	10.64	11.09
Iron & Steel Foundries	2.0	2.0	1.7	352.23	341.33	361.89	39.8	38.7	40.3	8.85	8.82	8.98
Non-Ferrous Foundries	2.8	2.5	2.5	350.40	351.04	343.09	43.8	44.1	42.2	8.00	7.96	8.13
Other Primary Metals	8.5	8.5	8.7	478.08	462.89	512.91	38.4	37.3	41.0	12.45	12.41	12.51
Fabricated Metal Products	28.5	28.5	28.3	388.93	376.27	397.52	41.2	40.2	42.2	9.44	9.36	9.42
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	10.0	9.9	9.9	369.96	351.84	391.07	40.7	39.4	42.6	9.09	8.93	9.18
Other Fabricated Metal Prod.	18.5	18.6	18.4									
Machinery Exc. Electrical	30.4	30.4	31.0	422.30	397.79	402.38	41.0	40.1	40.4	10.30	9.92	9.96
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	49.1	49.2	46.2	388.68	376.94	358.57	41.0	40.1	40.7	9.48	9.40	8.81
Transportation Equipment	69.2	69.0	66.1	602.99	583.87	571.13	45.1	43.9	45.8	13.37	13.30	12.47
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	30.5	30.3	28.1	363.11	615.90	603.92	47.4	46.1	48.9	13.42	13.36	12.35
Other Transportation Equip.	38.7	38.7	38.0	544.07	526.28	517.30	41.0	39.9	40.7	13.27	13.19	12.71
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.9	11.8	11.9	323.21	324.80	330.33	40.3	40.0	42.9	8.02	8.12	7.70
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	6.8	6.8	6.8	282.08	263.59	264.99	41.3	39.4	41.6	6.83	6.69	6.37
Nondurable Goods	180.2	180.6	180.1	335.23	332.67	319.51	39.3	39.0	39.3	8.53	8.53	8.13
Food & Kindred Products	45.1	45.0	45.0	385.29	394.42	367.72	40.6	41.0	40.1	9.49	9.62	9.17
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits and Vegetables	12.2	12.1	11.7	269.89	280.68	268.60	39.4	39.7	39.5	6.85	7.07	6.80
Dairy Products	6.4	6.3	6.3	383.45	383.53	362.39	42.7	42.1	40.4	8.98	9.11	8.97
Grain Mill Products	7.0	6.9	7.4	443.98	472.61	463.68	43.4	45.4	46.0	10.23	10.41	10.08
Bakery Products	5.5	5.6	5.7	369.60	393.95	361.74	36.2	38.1	36.8	10.21	10.34	9.83
Beverages	10.2	10.2	9.9	556.20	552.24	432.03	39.7	39.0	33.7	14.01	14.16	12.82

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INDUSTRY TITLE	ALL EMPLOYEES			PRODUCTION WORKERS								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred Prod.	3.8	3.9	4.0	425.27	417.78	420.55	42.4	42.2	43.4	10.03	9.90	9.69
Textile & Apparel	24.1	24.9	25.8	179.18	190.97	179.40	34.0	35.3	34.7	5.27	5.41	5.17
Paper & Allied Products	13.1	12.8	12.8	397.54	380.97	373.43	43.4	41.5	42.1	9.16	9.18	8.87
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.5	6.4	6.4	393.07	366.83	381.70	43.1	40.4	42.6	9.12	9.08	8.96
Other Paper & Allied Products	6.6	6.4	6.4	402.04	394.90	366.13	43.7	42.6	41.7	9.20	9.27	8.78
Printing & Publishing	38.3	38.2	36.9	383.34	373.98	364.49	38.8	38.2	38.9	9.88	9.79	9.37
Commercial Printing	12.9	12.8	12.1	443.76	438.06	418.80	40.6	40.3	40.7	10.93	10.87	10.29
Other Printing & Publishing	25.4	25.4	24.8	326.48	313.13	313.22	37.1	36.2	37.2	8.80	8.65	8.42
Chemicals & Allied Products	28.2	28.2	27.4	478.94	468.68	447.81	43.5	42.3	43.1	11.01	11.08	10.39
Leather & Leather Products	18.2	18.4	19.2	185.14	184.60	194.71	34.8	34.7	36.6	5.32	5.32	5.32
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.6	14.8	15.0	182.34	182.88	192.36	34.6	34.9	36.5	5.27	5.24	5.27
Other Leather & Leather Prod.	3.7	3.6	4.2	197.06	190.07	203.87	35.7	33.7	37.0	5.52	5.64	5.51
Other Nondurable Goods	13.2	13.1	13.0	318.36	311.19	318.52	42.0	41.0	42.3	7.58	7.59	7.53
Total Nonmanufacturing	1559.4	1559.0	1528.8									
Mining	6.1	6.0	6.5									
Construction	75.9	78.9	74.0									
Transportation & Public Util.	137.0	137.2	132.1									
Railroad Transportation	13.4	13.4	13.2									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	66.5	66.7	65.7									
Communication, Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	57.1	57.1	53.2									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	474.2	468.7	464.6									
Wholesale Trade	126.9	126.8	125.7									
Retail Trade	347.3	341.9	338.9									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	109.5	109.3	108.9									
Services	412.0	412.8	407.4									
Government	344.7	346.1	335.3									
Federal Government	69.9	69.6	68.5									
State & Local Government	274.8	276.5	266.8									

Prepared by the Missouri Division of Employment Security in cooperation with the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Estimates are based on monthly reports from cooperating establishments. Data cover employees who worked or received pay for the payroll period which includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers or unpaid family workers, and domestic workers. Payroll and hours data cover production and related workers in manufacturing.

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and the unemployment rate fell by 2.5 percentage points to 7.4 percent. The average number of nonfarm payroll jobs in the state in 1984 is estimated to have increased by some 35,000 from the 1983 average, with the gains about evenly split between manufacturing and nonmanufacturing. These comparisons are based on preliminary averages which are subject to revision.

The factory workweek jumped sharply in December, climbing by seven-tenths of an hour to 40.8 hours. Increases were noted in most reported durable goods industries, but the nondurable goods sector showed only a small increase. The increase in average weekly hours propelled average weekly earnings upward by $8.71 to $390.86; the weekly average is 4.7 percent higher than the year-earlier figure. Average hourly earnings of $9.58 represent monthly and annual gains of 5 and 45 cents, respectively.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

The economy finished the year on an upbeat note, as the nation's production of goods and services apparently rebounded from the relative slump of the third quarter. Gross national product grew at a 3.9 percent annual rate in the final quarter of 1984, after adjustment for inflation, compared to the weak 1.6 percent growth rate of the third quarter. For the whole year, real GNP grew 6.8 percent, the best showing since 1951. Not only does this seem to have cast the third quarter's performance as a temporary phenomenon rather than a turning point, but it also suggests that the economy is entering 1985 with substantial momentum.

Unemployment was little changed in December, as the seasonally adjusted civilian rate of 7.2 percent was not significantly different from November's 7.1 percent rate. Employment continued to increase in December, with both total civilian employment and nonfarm payroll employment climbing by more than 300,000. Each employment series has grown by more than 7 million in the two years of recovery experienced so far.

OUTLOOK

Seasonal conditions usually dominate employment and unemployment movements in January and February. Heavy snowfalls in part of the state in the January reference week may have led to disruptions of economic activity which could cause further decreases in employment and increases in unemployment. After February, seasonal improvements should be substantial. The economy seems to be entering the year with sufficient mementum to prevent deterioration in labor market conditions, although the expected rate of growth is not likely to result in the kind of rapid labor market improvements observed in early 1984.

TABLE 3. SELECTED ECONOMIC STATISTICS RELATED TO MANPOWER DEVELOPMENTS MISSOURI – DECEMBER, 1984

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1 Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,338,000	2,333,300	2,318,600	4,700	19,400
Total Employed	2,181,700	2,192,900	2,123,500	-11,200	58,200
Total Unemployed	156,300	140,400	195,100	15,900	-38,800
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.7	6.0	8.4	0.7	-1.7
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	1,978,400	1,977,800	1,940,900	600	37,500
Manufacturing	419,000	418,800	412,100	200	6,900
Durable Goods	238,800	238,200	232,000	600	6,800
Nondurable Goods	180,200	180,600	180,100	-400	100
Nonmanufacturing	1,559,400	1,559,000	1,528,800	400	30,600
State Initial Claims (Wkly. Avg.)	8,813	8,549	11,581	264	-2,768
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly. Avg.)	40,864	42,097	50,112	-1,233	-9,248
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.8	1.3	2.9	1.5	-0.1
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,244	3,403	5,002	-159	-1,758
Amount of Benefits Paid	$13,641,958	$13,096,821	$15,920,000	$545,137	-$2,278,042
State U.I.	13,333,015	12,784,657	15,463,736	548,358	-2,130,721
UCFE	142,212	147,689	221,636	-5,477	-79,424
UCX	166,731	164,475	234,628	2,256	-67,897

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KANSAS CITY LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The Kansas City Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) includes Jackson, Clay, Cass, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson and Wyandotte counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the SMSA has been published at 1,327,020 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

NOVEMBER, 1984

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Average gains in Retail Trade coupled with continued losses in Services and Construction in the area resulted in three-tenths percentage points increase in the December 1984 unemployment rate to 5.1 per cent. The Area's labor force grew by 2,300 over-the-month, but an inability of the Area's economy to absorb these job seekers led to the Area's total number of unemployed growing by an almost equivalent number. Gains in the trade sector were almost completely balanced by seasonal declines in Construction and Services and non-payroll employment, resulting in virtually no change in the overall number of employed. Although the number and the rate of unemployed were up over-the-month, the number of jobless has declined by 8,100 since December 1983, while the rate has dropped by 1.2 percentage points. The drop from December 1983 to December 1984 represents the smallest over-the-year drop registered in 1984, signalling perhaps a slowdown in the rapid growth pace experienced during the year.

Wage and salaried employment in December 1984 was 634,800, up by 600 from the November 1984 total of 634,200. Overall manufacturing employment showed no change over-the-month. Minor gains in Primary Metals, Motor Vehicles, Paper and Allied, Chemicals and Other Nondurables were offset by equally minor losses in Machinery, Electrical Equipment, Food and Kindred, and Printing and Publishing. Overall growth of 600 jobs in Nonagricultural Employment was the result of growth in the Nonmanufacturing sector. Within the sector, the only significant growth occurred in the trade sector. Retail Trade added another 1,800 jobs to the Area over-the-month to serve holiday shoppers, primarily in department stores, clothing and miscellaneous retail. Wholesale Trade showed modest gains of 400 jobs equally spread between Durable and Nondurable goods. Minor growth was registered in the Federal Government sector as additional tax processors were hired and an increase in Transportation and Communications, primarily in telephone communications, also occurred over-the-month. The largest over-the-month loss was 1,200 jobs in Services, concentrated primarily in recreational services. Construction fell by less than the average as only 400 jobs were lost over-the-month, and a minor drop in State and Local Government was recorded over-the-month.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 16,300 from December 1983 to December 1984. Manufacturing increased by 4,300 jobs, with 2,000 jobs added in Durable Goods and 2,300 jobs added in Nondurable Goods manufacturing. Nonmanufacturing had the major concentration of growth increasing by 12,000 jobs over the 12-month period. Construction employment continued to show improvement over last year's level with 3,800 jobs. Other major growth sectors within nonmanufacturing were Services, which was up by 2,000 jobs, Wholesale Trade up by 1,800, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate which was up by 1,500, Transportation, Communications and Utilities which posted gains of 1,300 jobs. Additional gainers were Retail Trade up by 800 jobs and Federal Government up by 700 jobs. Over the period, job gains within Durable Goods manufacturing occurred primarily in Motor Vehicles which gained 1,500 jobs and Electrical Equipment which gained 1,000 jobs. The only job losers over the period were recorded in Durable Goods. Machinery continued its decline with a loss of 1,100 jobs and Fabricated Metals showed a modest drop. The bulk of jobs added in Nondurable Goods occurred in Printing and Publishing. Additional sectors showing gains were Chemicals, Apparel, Paper and Other Nondurables.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 35,100 in December 1984 for 5.1 per cent of the labor force, compared to 33,000 in November 1984 for 4.8 per cent of the labor force and 43,200 in December 1983 for 6.3 per cent of the labor force.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT FORECAST

The Area unemployment rate is expected to top the six per cent level in January 1985. Losses in Retail Trade may exceed 2,000 jobs as area merchants lay off workers hired during the holiday shopping period. The on set of winter weather in the Area will precipitate large cut backs in Construction. Employment in Services will continue its descent despite the opening of a major hotel in the Area. Government may show a decline despite the hiring of additional federal workers to process tax returns. Unemployment is expected to be 6.0 per cent of the labor force in January 1985, compared to 5.1 per cent in December 1984 and 7.9 per cent in January 1984.

Unemployment is expected to show little improvement in February 1985. Construction and Retail Trade will reach the low points of the year. Overall employment is expected to decline despite small gains in Services and Government. Unemployment is expected to be 5.7 per cent of the labor force in February 1985, compared to 6.8 per cent in February 1984.

KANSAS CITY AREA-
MISSOURI JOB SERVICE STATISTICS

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 28,453 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of December 1984. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	16.7
	22-44	37.7
	45 and over	15.8
Sex:	Male	62.3
	Female	37.7
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	33.3
	Other Non-White	01.0
	Hispanic	02.0

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	51.6
Veterans	22.4
Handicapped	02.8

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated December 31, 1984.

JOB PLACEMENTS:

During December 1984, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 7,860 and job placements totaled 2,051. There were 1,214 veteran referrals in December 1984, with 240 veteran placements. During November 1984, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 9,153 and job placements totaled 2,440. There were 1,354 veteran referrals in November 1984, with 274 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated December 31, 1984.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED IN THE KANSAS CITY AREA (MISSOURI SIDE ONLY)
DECEMBER, 1984

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	18.4	19.0	18.6
25-34	38.2	36.1	37.4
35-44	22.1	20.6	21.6
45-54	11.3	14.1	12.4
55-64	08.9	08.7	08.9
65 and over	00.8	01.3	01.0
Unreported	00.3	00.2	00.1

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	00.4
Mining	00.1
Construction	08.4
Manufacturingf	26.1
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	04.5
Wholesale & Retail Trade	18.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	03.1
Services	28.7
All Other	10.5
Information not available	00.1

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	12.2
Clerical	17.8
Sales	04.0
Services	14.1
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	01.0
Processing	02.7
Machine Trades	07.6
Bench Work	05.1
Structural Work	10.4
Miscellaneous	16.3
Information not available	08.8

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 5,660; 3,466 were male and 2,194 were female.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK - March 1983)

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas Month and Year of Current Data December, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	634,800	634,200	618,500	+600	+16,300
Total Manufacturing	116,600	116,600	112,300	0	+4,300
Durable Goods	66,600	66,600	64,600	0	+2,000
Lumber & Furniture	2,900	2,900	2,700	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0
Primary Metal Industries	3,700	3,600	3,300	+100	+400
Fabricated Metal Products	9,400	9,400	9,500	0	-100
Machinery Except Electrical	7,500	7,700	8,600	-200	-1,100
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,500	21,600	20,500	-100	+1,000
Transportation Equipment	14,200	14,000	12,700	+200	+1,500
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,000)	(13,900)	(12,500)	(+100)	(+1,500)
Other Durable Goods	3,600	3,600	3,500	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	50,000	50,000	47,700	0	+2,300
Food & Kindred Products	9,400	9,500	9,400	-100	0
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,600	2,600	2,300	0	+300
Paper & Allied Products	5,100	5,000	5,000	+100	+100
Printing & Publishing	18,700	18,900	17,700	-200	+1,000
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,700	8,200	+100	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	500	500	500	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	4,900	4,800	4,600	+100	+300
Total Nonmanufacturing	518,200	517,600	506,200	+600	+12,000
Mining & Quarrying	600	600	500	0	+100
Construction	26,400	26,800	22,600	-400	+3,800
Transportation & Utilities	50,800	50,700	49,500	+100	+1,300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	164,800	162,600	162,200	+2,200	+2,600
Wholesale Trade	(53,200)	(52,800)	(51,400)	(+400)	(+1,800)
Retail Trade	(111,600)	(109,800)	(110,800)	(+1,800)	(+800)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	49,100	49,100	47,600	0	+1,500
Services	136,900	138,100	134,900	-1,200	+2,000
Government	89,600	89,700	88,900	-100	+700
Federal Government	(23,800)	(23,700)	(23,100)	(+100)	(+700)
State & Local Government	(65,800)	(66,000)	(65,800)	(-200)	(0)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	200	0	-100

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TABLE 2. PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas Month and Year of Current Data December, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$441.38	$439.67	$427.87	41.6	41.4	41.5	$10.61	$10.62	$10.31
DURABLE GOODS	465.56	472.16	459.31	41.2	41.6	42.1	11.30	11.35	10.91
Lumber & Furniture	315.51	322.80	345.87	41.9	40.4	42.7	7.53	7.99	8.10
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	471.04	501.76	474.70	42.9	44.8	40.4	10.98	11.20	11.75
Primary Metal Industries	403.37	411.05	412.90	39.2	39.6	40.6	10.29	10.38	10.17
Fabricated Metal Products	372.10	372.69	375.15	40.8	41.0	41.0	9.12	9.09	9.15
Machinery Exc. Electrical	420.40	411.84	442.68	40.0	39.6	42.0	10.51	10.40	10.54
Elect. Equip. & Supplies	476.69	487.46	422.69	42.9	43.1	41.4	11.19	11.31	10.21
Transportation Equipment	594.63	598.83	629.44	40.7	41.1	44.8	14.61	14.57	14.05
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(599.35)	(603.17)	(634.89)	(40.8)	(41.2)	(44.9)	(14.69)	(14.64)	(14.14)
Other Durable Goods	261.64	264.88	254.52	37.7	38.5	39.4	6.94	6.88	6.46
NONDURABLE GOODS	398.37	385.22	371.68	42.2	41.2	40.4	9.44	9.35	9.20
Food & Kindred Products	432.70	429.25	414.48	43.4	42.5	44.0	9.97	10.10	9.42
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	186.70	191.14	160.68	33.7	33.3	30.9	5.54	5.74	5.20
Paper & Allied Products	395.42	367.92	352.40	43.5	41.2	40.0	9.09	8.93	8.81
Printing & Publishing	416.07	388.08	396.29	40.2	39.2	38.7	10.35	9.90	10.24
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	494.07	483.46	450.11	45.2	44.6	41.6	10.93	10.84	10.82
Petroleum & Coal Prod.	438.62	393.16	377.93	45.5	43.3	40.9	9.64	9.08	9.24
Other Nondurable Goods	297.73	307.45	288.54	42.9	43.0	42.0	6.94	7.15	6.87

*This series excludes industry 2771.

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ST. LOUIS LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe and St. Clair Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,355,276 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

NOVEMBER, 1984

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AREA LABOR FORCE DEVELOPMENTS

The St. Louis SMSA unemployment rate increased by 6.6% in November to 7.0% in December. The December unemployment rate was expected to increase after the November's unexpected substantial decrease. The area's civilian labor force increased by 4,100, or + 0.4%. Unemployment rose by 4600 over the month to stand at 80,900 in December. Except for November's 6.6%, the area's unemployment rate hovered close to 7.0% since September 1984. Since December 1983, unemployment declined by 21500 and employment increased by 34200. The unemployment rate in December 1983 was 9.0%.

Preliminary 1984 labor annual averages are now available. Annual average employment in the area was 1,064,400, unemployment 95,600, and the unemployment rate was 8.2%. Comparing 1984 averages to 1983, employment rose 37,800 and unemployment declined by 25,500. The 1983 average unemployment rate was 10.6%.

There were 200 labor disputants in December, 500 in November, and 300 in December, 1983.

MANUFACTURING

Manufacturing employment rose by 500 over the month. The largest gain occurred in lumber and furniture. Employment in that industry increased by 300. Nonelectrical machinery continued to register improvement as 200 workers were added in December. Stone, clay and glass experienced a seasonal decline of 200 as demand for their products drops as construction activity decreases during the winter. Over the year, manufacturing increased by 4400. Motor vehicles, up 2600, continued to register major improvement throughout 1984 over 1983 levels. Other industries that continued to register gains included aircraft (+900), nonelectrical machinery (+900), and printing (+500).

NONMANUFACTURING

Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 600 over the month. A seasonal employment increase of 3800 occurred in trade as workers were added for the Christmas buying season. Construction employment, which is now being affected by the colder weather, declined by 2300. Employment stood at 50,900, a record high December construction employment level. Other small seasonal declines occurred in transportation (-400), services (-100), and government (-400). Over the year, nonmanufacturing increased by 23,400. Trade added 10,800 workers, accounting for over 46% of the total nonmanufacturing increase. Construction increased by 6100 and government, beginning to recover somewhat from reduced recession level revenues, added 2300 workers.

UNEMPLOYMENT & MANPOWER RESOURCES

State UI continued claimants in the SMSA were up 2200 in December from November, 1984. In the Missouri portion of the SMSA they were up 1000 and in the Illinois portion they were up 1200.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
INA	0	0	0	0
Agriculture	14	23	24	37
Mining	107	105	72	36
Constructin	734	901	987	1269
Manufacturing Total	2912	3237	3363	3484
Food	255	349	398	562
Textile	27	26	30	21
Apparel	213	208	145	132
Lumber	25	29	36	47
Furniture	83	82	89	82
Paper	97	99	115	87
Printing	126	135	151	162
Chemicals	169	199	168	163
Petroleum	37	17	14	25
Rubber	108	115	127	132
Leather	261	312	438	163
Stone	32	74	44	48
Primary Metal	221	186	184	212
Fabricated Metal	342	369	407	466
Machinery	99	80	67	112
Electrtical Machinery	206	239	219	242
Transportation Equip.	226	281	300	334
Instruments	18	33	16	20
Miscellaneous	365	399	410	470
Public Utilities	439	461	646	692
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	1834	2009	1817	1937
Finance	284	300	244	259
Services	5031	5542	5147	5380
All Other	217	310	311	287
TOTAL	11572	12988	12611	13381

Of the 13,381 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in December, 1984, 59.5 percent were male and 40.5 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1661	1730	1534	1529
Clerical	2075	2213	1966	2051
Sales	556	636	533	589
Farm, Fish & Forest	61	76	99	133
Processing	246	260	245	276
Machine Trades	816	973	1048	1083
Bench Work	702	749	704	774
Structural Work	793	1016	1037	1311
Misc. Work	1332	1628	1596	1816
Domestic	40	66	68	63
Other Services	2004	2181	2271	2217
INA	1286	1460	1510	1529
TOTAL	11572	12988	12611	13381

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	45.6	15.0	21.7	41.7	2.2
Placements, %	42.7	13.7	39.0	37.7	2.0

AVAILABLE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	5.7	1.5
Clerical	18.6	14.1
Sales	17.4	22.1
Processing	1.1	1.4
Machine Trades	4.8	4.7
Bench Work	3.4	3.7
Structural Work	5.1	4.8
Motor Freight & Transportation	4.1	4.1
Packaging & Material Handling	10.0	14.3
Domestic	1.1	1.0
Other Services	27.4	27.1
Other Occupations	1.3	1.2

EMPLOYMENT & UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

The unemployment rate for January, 1985 is expected to be 8.0% and in February 8.0%.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)

Area and State St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area Month and Year of Current Data December, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change to Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,030,700	1,029,600	1,002,900	+1,100	+27,800
Percent Change				+(0.1)	+(2.8)
Manufacturing	222,300	221,800	217,900	+500	+4,400
Durable Goods	140,300	140,000	135,200	+300	+5,100
Lumber & Furniture	4,800	4,500	4,700	+300	+100
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,200	3,400	3,100	-200	+100
Primary Metal Industries	14,400	14,500	14,200	-100	+200
Fabricated Metal Products	17,300	17,300	17,000	0	+300
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,800	18,600	17,900	+200	+900
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	14,000	14,000	13,600	0	+400
Transportation Equipment	55,600	55,500	52,400	+100	+3,200
Motor Vehicles	19,200	19,100	16,600	+100	+2,600
Aircraft & Parts	35,300	35,300	34,400	0	+900
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	12,200	12,200	12,300	0	-100
Nondurable Goods	82,000	81,800	82,700	+200	-700
Food & Kindred Products	20,500	20,500	21,300	0	-800
Meat Products	1,200	1,200	1,200	0	0
Beverages	8,500	8,400	8,700	+100	-200
Textiles & Apparel	6,700	6,600	6,800	+100	-100
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,600	5,700	+100	0
Printing & Publishing	15,600	15,500	15,100	+100	+500
Chemical & Allied Products	20,500	20,500	20,300	0	+200
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,600	2,600	2,600	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	5,300	5,400	5,600	-100	-300
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,100	5,300	0	-200
Nonmanufacturing	808,400	807,800	785,000	+600	+23,400
Mining	3,700	3,800	3,500	-100	+200
Construction	50,900	53,200	44,800	-2,300	+6,100
Transportation & Public Utilities	72,200	72,600	70,800	-400	+1,400
Railroads	7,500	7,600	7,600	-100	-100
Transportation, Except Railroads	36,800	37,100	35,500	-300	+1,300
Communications & Public Utilities	27,900	27,900	27,700	0	+200
Wholesale & Retail Trade	247,300	243,500	236,500	+3,800	+10,800
Wholesale Trade	63,600	63,400	62,400	+200	+1,200
Retail Trade	183,700	180,100	174,100	+3,600	+9,600
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	59,900	59,800	59,000	+100	+900
Service, Except Domestic	234,200	234,300	232,500	-100	+1,700
Total Government	140,200	140,600	137,900	-400	+2,300
Total Federal Government	38,100	37,900	37,300	+200	+800
Total State & Local Government	102,100	102,700	100,600	-600	+1,500
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	200	500	300	-300	-100

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TABLE 2. AVERAGE HOURS & EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State St. Louis Metropolitan Area

Month and Year of Current Data December, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$456.35	$443.48	$446.02	41.6	40.5	42.6	10.97	10.95	10.47
DURABLE GOODS	483.94	468.12	473.92	42.6	41.5	43.8	11.36	11.28	10.82
Lumber & Furniture	374.64	364.42	343.20	44.6	43.8	42.9	8.40	8.32	8.00
Stone, Clay & Glass	395.18	422.14	360.64	37.6	39.6	36.8	10.51	10.66	9.80
Primary Metal Industries	469.50	446.99	509.55	40.3	38.6	43.0	11.65	11.58	11.85
Fabricated Metal Products	422.30	409.64	431.38	41.2	40.2	42.5	10.25	10.19	10.15
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	459.38	446.07	433.61	41.8	40.7	40.6	10.99	10.96	10.68
Elect. & Electronic Equip.	331.57	324.92	295.54	39.9	39.1	40.1	8.31	8.31	7.37
Transportation Equipment	630.19	602.55	609.60	46.1	44.6	48.0	13.67	13.51	12.70
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	297.14	299.93	327.99	39.2	38.7	43.1	7.58	7.75	7.61
NONDURABLE GOODS	410.00	401.84	401.30	40.0	38.9	40.7	10.25	10.33	9.86
Food & Kindred Products	482.79	484.00	462.83	39.9	40.0	42.5	12.10	12.10	10.89
Textiles & Apparel	220.83	215.52	211.03	36.5	35.8	36.7	6.05	6.02	5.75
Paper & Paper Products	448.94	435.87	441.94	44.1	42.4	43.8	10.18	10.28	10.09
Printing & Publishing	404.16	392.62	405.42	38.2	36.9	37.4	10.58	10.64	10.84
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	474.75	451.44	455.76	42.2	39.6	42.2	11.25	11.40	10.80
Petroleum & Coal Products	597.84	604.20	628.65	42.4	42.4	43.9	14.10	14.25	14.32
Leather & Leather Products	190.99	191.30	191.10	35.9	35.1	36.4	5.32	5.45	5.25
Other Nondurable Goods	312.62	311.25	325.80	40.6	39.7	42.7	7.70	7.84	7.63

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SPRINGFIELD LABOR MARKET REVIEW
(GREENE AND CHRISTIAN COUNTIES)
DECEMBER, 1984

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CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT

The Springfield area labor force, estimated at 114,100 for December, was up 400 from November. Total employment stands at the November level which was estimated at 108,400. The December jobless total came to approximately 5,700 or 5.0 percent of the civilian labor force. This represents a jump of 400 in the number of unemployed and a four-tenths of a percentage point rise in the unemployment rate from November. Despite the seasonal increase in the percentage unemployed, the current rate is the lowest for any December since December, 1979, when 4.4 percent of the labor force was unemployed.

In retrospect, 1984 was year of economic recovery and improved labor force conditions. Annual average employment rose about 4,000 from 1983 and the average number of unemployed persons was reduced by 2,400. The annual average rate of unemployment fell from 7.8 percent in 1983 to 5.6 percent in 1984.

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

The total number of nonfarm payrolled jobs, estimated at 93,600 for December, show no change from November a decrease of 100 jobs in manufacturing was off-set by a corresponding increase in the nonmanufacturing sector. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels from November include: construction, down 100; transportation and utilities, up 100; trade, up 300; services, down 100; and government, down 100. The 300 jump in trade is seasonal in nature and was fostered by increased sales activity associated with the Christmas Season.

During 1984, nonmanufacturing jobs increased 1,200 to reach 74,400 which is an all time high for the Springfield area.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose seven cents from November to

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK- March, 1983)

Area and State Springfield, Missouri Month and Year of Current Data December, 1984

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary Employment (Exc. Domestics)	93,600	93,600	92,500	0	+1,100
Manufacturing	19,200	19,300	19,300	-100	-100
Durable Goods	10,500	10,400	10,200	+100	+300
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	900	0	0
Other Durable Goods	9,600	9,500	9,300	+100	+300
Nondurable Goods	8,700	8,900	9,100	-200	-400
Food Processing	3,800	3,900	4,000	-100	-200
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,500	0	+100
Other Nondurable Goods	3,300	3,400	3,600	-100	-300
Nonmanufacturing	74,400	47,300	73,200	+100	+1,200
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,500	3,600	3,000	-100	+500
Transportation & Utilities	6,000	5,900	6,000	+100	0
Trade	26,800	26,500	26,300	+300	+500
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3,900	3,900	3,800	0	+100
Services	22,100	22,200	22,200	-100	-100
Government	12,000	12,100	11,800	-100	+200
Federal	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
State and Local	10,400	10,500	10,200	-100	+200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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reach $8.35 in December. This increase in conjunction with a seven-tenths of an hour jump in the average factory work week boosted average weekly earnings from $320.44 in November to $328.99 in December.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

Payrolled employment is expected to show a moderate seasonal drop in January. Job reductions will probably occur in retail trade, construction and manufacturing. The rate of unemployment is expected to move upward a full percentage point or more to somewhat above the six percent level.

TABLE 2. GROSS AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

Area and State Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current Data December, 1984

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X
Manufacturing	$328.99	$320.44	$325.21	39.4	38.7	40.1	$8.35	$8.28	$8.11
Durable Goods	326.03	309.64	314.34	40.3	38.9	40.3	8.09	7.96	7.80
Nondurable Goods	333.26	336.27	341.15	38.0	38.3	39.9	8.77	8.78	8.55
Food & Kindred Products	373.64	368.93	368.74	40.7	39.5	41.2	9.18	9.34	8.95
Other Nondurable Goods	313.79	318.10	324.92	36.7	37.6	39.1	8.55	8.46	8.31

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS   DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

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MISSOURI LABOR MARKET REVIEW

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Missouri unemployment went up in January, but the increase appears to have been smaller than the usual seasonal jump. The unemployment rate climbed by nine-tenths of a percentage point from December to 7.9 percent, as about 185,000 Missourians were jobless in January. The increase in the unemployment rate between December and January has averaged about 1.2 percentage points over the past 15 years, so there seems to have been some improvement, when seasonal movements are taken into account. Prior to January, there had been no significant change in unemployment, other than seasonal movements, since about last April.

Total employment fell by about 65,000 between December and January, a change which is more nearly in line with the seasonal expectation. Altogether, about 2,147,900 Missourians are estimated to have been employed in January.

Comparted to a year ago, employment has increased by about 32,200, while unemployment has dropped by a slightly larger amount. In other words, the labor force decreased by about 2000 in the period, to 2,332,900. The unemployment rate dropped by one and a half percentage points over the year.

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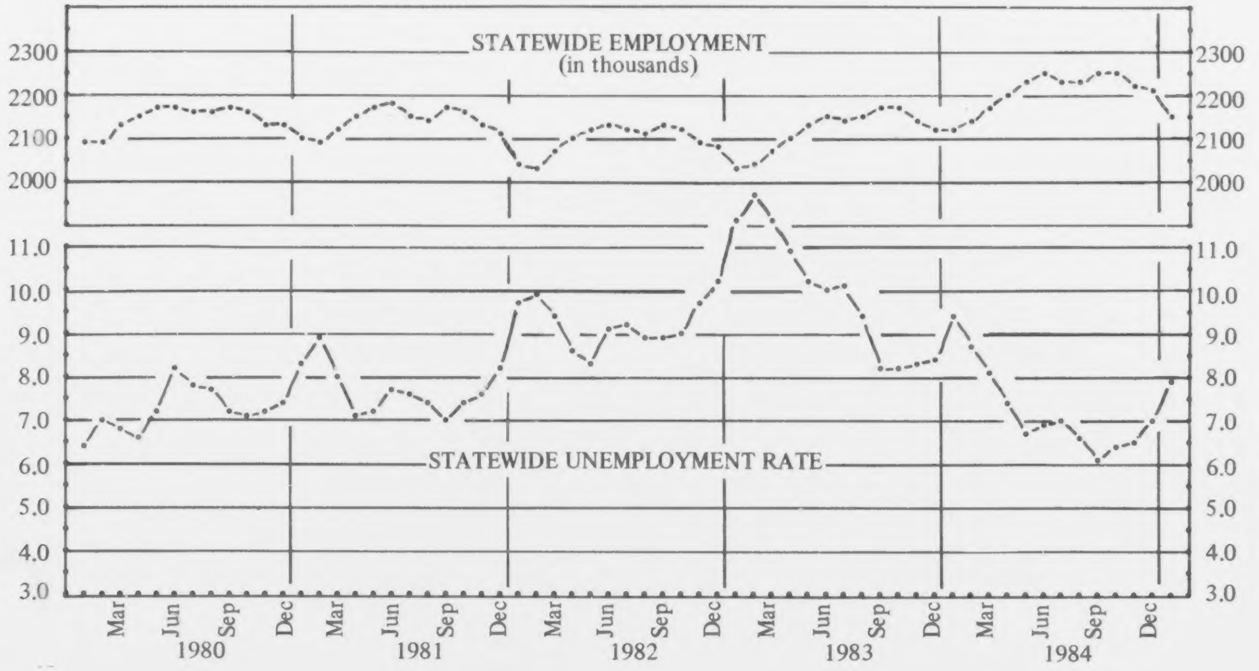

TABLE 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - JAN 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - DEC 1984 (PRELIMINARY)				ONE YEAR AGO - JAN 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2332877	2147915	184962	7.9	2381218	2213402	167816	7.0	2334900	2115683	219217	9.4
KANSAS CITY MSA	727149	684387	42762	5.9	742610	703280	39330	5.3	725202	671265	53937	7.4
SPRINGFIELD MSA	114594	107867	6727	5.9	118540	112367	6173	5.2	114389	106089	8300	7.3
COLUMBIA MSA	57081	54120	2961	5.2	60354	58102	2252	3.7	56973	54179	2794	4.9
JOPLIN MSA	58616	54418	4198	7.2	59135	55198	3937	6.7	57474	52439	5035	8.8
ST. JOSEPH MSA	40464	36932	3532	8.7	42946	39326	3620	8.4	42347	38372	3975	9.4
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	15945	14741	1204	7.6	15938	14896	1042	6.5	16268	15088	1180	7.3
ANDREW	6084	5621	463	7.6	6047	5610	437	7.2	5894	5314	580	9.8
ATCHISON	4002	3692	310	7.7	4013	3743	270	6.7	4936	4683	253	5.1
AUDRAIN	10892	9825	1067	9.8	11079	10154	925	8.3	10684	9726	958	9.0
BARRY	11249	10483	766	6.8	11361	10650	711	6.3	11169	10164	1005	9.0
BARTON	4775	4554	221	4.6	4894	4656	238	4.9	4811	4542	269	5.6
BATES	7160	6620	540	7.5	7378	6942	436	5.9	7475	6685	790	10.6
BENTON	5213	4512	701	13.4	5469	4964	505	9.2	5043	4425	618	12.3
BOLLINGER	3167	2624	543	17.1	2994	2575	419	14.0	3119	2489	630	20.2
BUTLER	16013	14065	1948	12.2	16898	15211	1687	10.0	15744	13401	2343	14.9
CALDWELL	3502	3232	270	7.7	3499	3283	216	6.2	3501	3139	362	10.3
CALLAWAY	17890	16391	1499	8.4	19264	17927	1337	6.9	20020	18535	1485	7.4
CAMDEN	12018	10623	1395	11.6	12148	10914	1234	10.2	10825	9136	1689	15.6
CAPE GIRARDEAU	31950	29957	1993	6.2	31441	29785	1656	5.3	30828	28723	2105	6.8
CARROLL	4461	4071	390	8.7	4469	4182	287	6.4	4453	4009	444	10.0
CARTER	2737	2374	363	13.3	2647	2237	410	15.5	2739	2309	430	15.7
CEDAR	4315	3827	488	11.3	4310	3950	360	8.4	4390	3908	482	11.0
CHARITON	4574	4214	360	7.9	4817	4451	366	7.6	4538	4133	405	8.9
CLARK	3164	2744	420	13.3	3239	2868	371	11.5	3105	2706	399	12.9
CLINTON	7314	6701	613	8.4	7126	6598	528	7.4	7167	6434	733	10.2
COLE/OSAGE LMA	36532	34033	2499	6.8	37258	34958	2300	6.2	35552	32826	2726	7.7
COOPER	6634	6056	578	8.7	6900	6098	802	11.6	6822	6215	607	8.9
CRAWFORD	7590	6673	917	12.1	7131	6385	746	10.5	7161	6264	897	12.5
DADE	3583	3420	163	4.5	3693	3516	177	4.8	3672	3414	258	7.0
DALLAS	4550	4089	461	10.1	4702	4148	554	11.8	4362	3780	582	13.3
DAVIESS	3033	2717	316	10.4	2916	2708	208	7.1	2925	2492	433	14.8
DEKALB	3479	3203	276	7.9	3478	3204	274	7.9	3135	2886	249	7.9
DENT	5969	5220	749	12.5	6080	5418	662	10.9	5819	5045	774	13.3
DOUGLAS	4403	3662	741	16.8	4444	3755	689	15.5	4327	3784	543	12.5
DUNKLIN	12793	10783	2010	15.7	12832	11187	1645	12.8	13194	11082	2112	16.0
GASCONADE	6702	6167	535	8.0	6937	6501	436	6.3	6832	6334	498	7.3
GENTRY	3686	3490	196	5.3	3865	3700	165	4.3	3825	3499	326	8.5
GRUNDY	5097	4721	376	7.4	5134	4757	377	7.3	5054	4612	442	8.7
HARRISON	4695	4374	321	6.8	4786	4561	225	4.7	4671	4189	482	10.3
HENRY	9426	8417	1009	10.7	9620	8879	741	7.7	9000	8069	931	10.3
HICKORY	2373	2132	241	10.2	2439	2225	214	8.8	2270	1958	312	13.7
HOLT	3024	2758	266	8.8	3218	3037	181	5.6	3121	2770	351	11.2
HOWARD	4480	4090	390	8.7	4516	4116	400	8.9	4469	4125	344	7.7
HOWELL	13376	11906	1470	11.0	13321	12117	1204	9.0	13180	11743	1437	10.9
IRON	4360	3416	944	21.7	4408	3571	837	19.0	4581	3983	598	13.1
JOHNSON	17156	16350	806	4.7	16458	15816	642	3.9	15651	14721	930	5.9
KNOX	2251	1968	283	12.6	2276	2109	167	7.3	2338	2060	278	11.9
LACLEDE	11400	10219	1181	10.4	11498	9577	1921	16.7	10976	9882	1094	10.0
LAWRENCE	12296	11345	951	7.7	12176	11241	935	7.7	12105	10862	1243	10.3
LEWIS	5391	4903	488	9.1	5515	5095	420	7.6	5300	4601	699	13.2

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LINCOLN	10315	9381	934	9.1	10376	9527	849	8.2	9976	8694	1282	12.9
LINN	7448	6745	703	9.4	7460	6769	691	9.3	7664	6734	930	12.1
LIVINGSTON	6418	5839	579	9.0	6616	6115	501	7.6	6671	6010	661	9.9
MACON	6966	6407	559	8.0	6903	6457	446	6.5	6620	5957	663	10.0
MADISON	3716	3210	506	13.6	3819	3415	404	10.6	3682	3188	494	13.4
MARIES	2580	2290	290	11.2	2509	2269	240	9.6	2458	2170	288	11.7
MARION/RALLS LMA	17449	15761	1688	9.7	17884	16521	1363	7.6	17885	15723	2162	12.1
MCDONALD	5474	4923	551	10.1	5423	5003	420	7.7	5456	4793	663	12.2
MERCER	1678	1545	133	7.9	1661	1551	110	6.6	1794	1572	222	12.4
MILLER	10153	8395	1758	17.3	10089	8649	1440	14.3	10099	8338	1761	17.4
MISSISSIPPI	6441	5475	966	15.0	6303	5550	753	11.9	6491	5449	1042	16.1
MONITEAU	4837	3811	1026	21.2	4704	4005	699	14.9	4840	3824	1016	21.0
MONROE	4313	3973	340	7.9	4418	4131	287	6.5	4374	4028	346	7.9
MONTGOMERY	5048	4497	551	10.9	5131	4672	459	8.9	5187	4637	550	10.6
MORGAN	5490	4659	831	15.1	5506	4802	704	12.8	5368	4526	842	15.7
NEW MADRID	11188	9896	1292	11.5	11069	10005	1064	9.6	11449	10034	1415	12.4
NODAWAY	10296	9725	571	5.5	10493	10047	446	4.3	10260	9510	750	7.3
OREGON	3013	2518	495	16.4	3134	2680	454	14.5	3092	2642	450	14.6
OZARK	3821	3358	463	12.1	3949	3547	402	10.2	3752	3279	473	12.6
PEMISCOT	8247	7150	1097	13.3	8083	7217	866	10.7	8184	6910	1274	15.6
PERRY	6848	6194	654	9.6	6933	6421	512	7.4	6750	6157	593	8.8
PETTIS	16331	14822	1509	9.2	16212	14956	1256	7.7	15853	14228	1625	10.3
PHELPS	15205	14019	1186	7.8	15743	14713	1030	6.5	15047	13741	1306	8.7
PIKE	6616	5743	873	13.2	6797	6074	723	10.6	7024	6026	998	14.2
POLK	8346	7785	561	6.7	9015	8353	662	7.3	8869	8154	715	8.1
PULASKI	8663	7852	811	9.4	8957	7887	1070	11.9	8865	7846	1019	11.5
PUTNAM	2636	2400	236	9.0	2834	2626	208	7.3	2863	2546	317	11.1
RANDOLPH	11311	10428	883	7.8	11451	10642	809	7.1	11441	10506	935	8.2
REYNOLDS	2415	1920	495	20.5	2237	1874	363	16.2	2518	1973	545	21.6
RIPLEY	3292	2811	481	14.6	3259	2904	355	10.9	3247	2694	553	17.0
SALINE	13818	12831	987	7.1	13590	12859	731	5.4	13582	12552	1030	7.6
SCOTLAND	2400	2228	172	7.2	2290	2145	145	6.3	2295	2055	240	10.5
SCOTT	16716	14878	1838	11.0	16961	15357	1604	9.5	17064	15017	2047	12.0
SHANNON	2878	2335	543	18.9	3052	2529	523	17.1	3147	2388	759	24.1
SHELBY	3053	2817	236	7.7	3092	2905	187	6.0	3044	2811	233	7.7
ST. CLAIR	3633	3352	281	7.7	3660	3392	268	7.3	3654	3290	364	10.0
ST. FRANCOIS	18792	16501	2291	12.2	19770	17619	2151	10.9	19498	17148	2350	12.1
STE. GENEVIEVE	5785	5287	498	8.6	5616	5150	466	8.3	5691	5105	586	10.3
STODDARD	12596	11011	1585	12.6	12572	11350	1222	9.7	12481	10486	1995	16.0
STONE	6838	5318	1520	22.2	7002	5688	1314	18.8	6816	5208	1608	23.6
SULLIVAN	3234	2953	281	8.7	3246	3033	213	6.6	3276	2957	319	9.7
TANEY	13126	10777	2349	17.9	13603	11587	2016	14.8	11785	9358	2427	20.6
TEXAS	7876	6630	1246	15.8	8154	6575	1579	19.4	7962	6792	1170	14.7
VERNON	9346	8758	588	6.3	9294	8769	525	5.6	9506	8791	715	7.5
WARREN	6871	6292	579	8.4	6588	6092	496	7.5	6047	5354	693	11.5
WASHINGTON	4653	3577	1076	23.1	4539	3654	885	19.5	4534	3576	958	21.1
WAYNE	4224	3520	704	16.7	4320	3638	682	15.8	4136	3343	793	19.2
WEBSTER	7647	6811	836	10.9	7710	6491	1219	15.8	7467	6597	870	11.7
WORTH	1083	985	98	9.0	1047	959	88	8.4	1085	936	149	13.7
WRIGHT	7072	6263	809	11.4	7167	6392	775	10.8	7158	6411	747	10.4

NOTE: Data for the St. Louis MSA were not available.
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TABLE 2. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT, HOURS AND EARNINGS
MISSOURI (STATEWIDE)
JANUARY, 1985

INDUSTRY TITLE	ALL EMPLOYEES			PRODUCTION WORKERS								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	1999.9	2042.0	1951.4									
Total Manufacturing	432.8	434.1	421.6	383.36	394.83	371.59	40.1	41.0	40.7	9.56	9.63	9.13
Durable Goods	247.8	249.2	238.6	424.15	441.81	410.75	41.1	42.4	41.7	10.32	10.42	9.85
Lumber & Wood Products	10.7	10.8	9.8	231.38	243.66	213.93	37.5	39.3	37.4	6.17	6.20	5.72
Furniture & Fixtures	11.2	11.2	10.5	332.42	333.61	291.31	44.5	44.9	40.8	7.47	7.43	7.14
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.2	11.0	10.6	418.00	415.14	404.74	40.9	40.7	40.8	10.22	10.20	9.92
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	524.16	538.60	544.29	39.0	39.4	39.7	13.44	13.67	13.71
Structural Clay Prod.	2.1	2.3	2.3	472.62	443.48	444.80	41.4	38.8	40.4	11.66	11.43	11.01
Other Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	7.1	7.7	7.3	389.22	393.71	370.31	41.1	41.4	41.1	9.47	9.51	9.01
Primary Metal Industries	13.7	13.7	13.4	435.01	433.60	453.10	39.8	40.0	40.6	10.93	10.84	11.16
Iron & Steel Foundries	2.1	2.1	1.8	345.54	352.23	337.26	39.0	39.8	38.9	8.86	8.85	8.67
Non-Ferrous Foundries	3.1	3.1	2.9	352.84	350.40	342.38	43.4	43.8	41.3	8.13	8.00	8.29
Other Primary Metals	8.5	8.5	8.7	488.10	482.59	516.12	38.8	38.7	40.8	12.58	12.47	12.65
Fabricated Metal Products	27.8	27.9	28.1	382.70	386.16	397.21	40.2	41.3	41.9	9.52	9.35	9.48
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	10.5	10.6	10.6	366.22	368.34	372.50	40.2	40.7	40.8	9.11	9.05	9.13
Other Fabricated Metal Prod.	17.2	17.3	17.5									
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.6	31.9	32.1	403.85	422.51	397.71	41.0	41.1	40.5	9.85	10.28	9.82
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	51.8	51.2	51.8	378.73	393.01	361.08	40.9	41.5	40.8	9.26	9.47	8.85
Transportation Equipment	72.1	72.6	67.0	582.28	622.84	550.12	43.1	46.0	44.4	13.51	13.54	12.39
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	33.8	34.0	29.3	600.27	660.18	567.12	44.3	48.4	46.6	13.55	13.64	12.17
Other Transportation Equip.	38.4	38.5	37.7	545.79	547.45	523.11	40.7	41.1	40.9	13.41	13.32	12.79
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.9	11.9	11.8	312.27	324.82	344.55	38.6	40.2	44.2	8.09	8.08	7.75
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	6.9	7.0	6.8	258.25	279.34	258.33	37.7	41.2	39.2	6.85	6.78	6.59
Nondurable Goods	185.1	184.9	183.0	329.80	333.20	323.90	38.8	39.2	39.5	8.50	8.50	8.20
Food & Kindred Products	45.2	45.5	44.7	387.13	388.96	384.17	40.2	40.9	41.0	9.63	9.51	9.37
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits and Vegetables	11.7	11.8	11.6	271.83	269.50	257.13	39.0	39.4	38.9	6.97	6.84	6.61
Dairy Products	6.3	6.3	6.2	392.60	383.45	384.64	41.9	42.7	41.9	9.37	8.98	9.18
Grain Mill Products	8.0	8.0	7.5	421.04	443.98	455.05	41.4	43.4	44.7	10.17	10.23	10.18
Bakery Products	5.1	5.2	5.4	374.99	369.60	376.11	36.8	36.2	38.3	10.19	10.21	9.82
Beverages	10.0	10.0	9.7	585.23	590.59	552.43	40.5	41.3	40.8	14.45	14.30	13.54

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INDUSTRY TITLE	ALL EMPLOYEES			PRODUCTION WORKERS								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred Prod.	4.1	4.2	4.3	420.04	406.56	403.09	42.6	42.0	42.7	9.86	9.68	9.44
Textile & Apparel	25.1	24.3	25.6	193.28	177.41	180.19	35.4	33.6	35.4	5.46	5.28	5.09
Paper & Allied Products	13.3	13.2	12.9	382.93	395.66	375.72	42.5	43.1	41.7	9.01	9.18	9.01
Paperboard Containers & Boxes	6.6	6.7	6.6	391.19	393.07	392.70	42.2	43.1	42.5	9.27	9.12	9.24
Other Paper & Allied Products	6.7	6.5	6.4	376.21	397.81	359.92	42.8	43.1	40.9	8.79	9.23	8.80
Printing & Publishing	40.0	40.0	38.5	369.38	381.79	373.18	37.5	38.8	39.2	9.85	9.84	9.52
Commercial Printing	12.8	12.9	12.2	431.94	445.13	446.46	39.7	40.8	42.0	10.88	10.91	10.63
Other Printing & Publishing	27.1	27.1	26.2	310.10	321.77	304.05	35.4	36.9	36.5	8.76	8.72	8.33
Chemicals & Allied Products	29.2	29.1	28.0	464.03	480.47	438.42	42.3	43.6	42.4	10.97	11.02	10.34
Leather & Leather Products	19.0	19.3	20.3	188.77	185.32	199.06	34.7	34.9	37.0	5.44	5.31	5.38
Footwear Exc. Rubber	15.3	15.4	15.9	183.16	182.87	196.35	34.3	34.7	36.7	5.34	5.27	5.35
Other Leather & Leather Prod.	3.7	3.8	4.4	211.85	195.28	210.48	36.4	35.7	38.2	5.82	5.47	5.51
Other Nondurable Goods	13.3	13.5	13.0	309.55	315.42	317.82	41.0	42.0	41.6	7.55	7.51	7.64
Total Nonmanufacturing	1567.1	1608.0	1529.8									
Mining	5.7	6.0	6.1									
Construction	71.9	82.2	69.5									
Transportation & Public Util.	133.6	135.1	132.2									
Railroad Transportation	13.2	13.2	13.0									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	68.8	69.5	67.4									
Communication, Electric, Gas & Sanitary Services	51.6	52.3	51.7									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	477.0	493.6	466.6									
Wholesale Trade	131.0	131.8	130.2									
Retail Trade	346.0	361.8	336.4									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	113.2	113.8	111.7									
Services	428.1	433.5	419.0									
Government	337.6	343.8	324.6									
Federal Government	68.8	69.1	68.0									
State & Local Government	268.8	274.7	256.6									

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Data cover employees who worked or received pay for the payroll period which includes the 12th of the month. The data exclude the self-employed, volunteers or unpaid family workers, and domestic workers. Payroll and hours data cover production and related workers in manufacturing.

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Nonfarm payroll employment also fell seasonally in January, as decreases in retail trade, construction, services, and government accounted for most of the total decrease of 42,100 jobs. The January estimate of 1,999,200 shows healthly over-the-year growth, with total payroll employment increasing by 47,800 jobs. Gains were concentrated in durable goods manufacturing (9200 jobs), retail trade (9600 jobs), services (9100 jobs), and state and local government (12,200 jobs).

The factory workweek, dropped back to 40.1 hours in January, after the one-month jump to 41.1 hours in December. Average hourly earnings of manufacturing productin workers slipped back a little in January to $9.56, and the decrease in hours added to the drop in weekly earnings. January's average of $383.36 was $11.47 lower than in December but was 3.2 percent higher than the year-earlier figure, despite the drop of six-tenths of an hour in the factory workweek.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

The national unemployment rate increased two-tenths of a percentage point to 7.4 percent in January, after bottoming out at 7.1 percent in November. The increase was apparently the result of a surge in the number of jobseekers, as employment also increased during the month. Improvements in unemployment came relatively slowly during most of 1984, following the sharp drops experienced in 1983.

Revised data show the economy to have grown more rapidly in the last quarter of 1984 than previously estimated. Inflation-adjusted gross national product is now estimated to have increased at a 4.9 percent annual rate in the final quarter of the year, following the third quarter's anemic 1.6 percent rate. The nation's output of goods and services in 1984 totalled 6.9 percent higher than in the previous year.

OUTLOOK

The economy appears to have entered 1985 with some momemtum, although the January national employment and unemployment data suggest growth may have slowed somewhat compared to that of the final quarter of 1984. The government's index of leading economic indicators rose sharply in January following several months in which the index has tended to drift downward. The 1.7 percent increase is the largest in nearly two years. Although the January increase may not point to a speeding up of economic activity in upcoming months, it does tend to suggest that broad based growth will continue in the opening months of 1985.

Missouri employment has generally shown moderate growth over the past several months, when usual seasonal movements are taken into account, and unemployment has shown little change. Thus, the seasonal movements are still expected to dominate developments in the upcoming months, with a possible further increase in unemployment in February, followed by sharp drops beginning in March.

TABLE 3. SELECTED ECONOMIC STATISTICS RELATED
TO MANPOWER DEVELOPMENTS
MISSOURI – JANUARY, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1 Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From: 1 Mo. Ago	Net Change To Current Month From: 1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,332,900	2,381,200	2,334,900	-48,300	-2,000
Total Employed	2,147,900	2,213,400	2,115,700	-65,500	32,200
Total Unemployed	185,000	167,800	219,200	17,200	-34,200
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	7.9	7.0	9.4	0.9	-1.5
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Domestics (No. of Jobs)	1,999,200	2,041,200	1,951,400	-42,000	47,800
Manufacturing	432,100	433,300	421,600	-1,200	10,500
Durable Goods	247,800	249,200	238,600	-1,400	9,200
Nondurable Goods	184,300	184,100	183,000	200	1,300
Nonmanufacturing	1,567,100	1,608,000	1,529,800	-40,900	37,300
State Initial Claims (Wkly. Avg.)	15,649	8,813	13,769	6,836	1,880
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly. Avg.)	64,192	40,864	66,227	23,328	-2,035
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.9	2.8	3.7	0.1	-0.8
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	4,704	3,244	5,947	1,460	-1,243
Amount of Benefits Paid	$20,917,129	$13,641,958	$20,726,519	$7,275,171	$190,610
State U.I.	20,510,486	13,333,015	20,235,095	7,177,471	275,391
UCFE	190,110	142,212	260,062	47,898	-69,952
UCX	216,533	166,731	231,362	49,802	-14,829

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KANSAS CITY LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The Kansas City Standard Metropolitan Statistical Area (SMSA) includes Jackson, Clay, Cass, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson and Wyandotte counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the SMSA has been published at 1,327,020 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

JANUARY, 1984

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For the first time in nine months, the civilian unemployment rate edged up toward six per cent in January 1985. January's unemployment rate of 5.9 per cent marked the second month of an increase after reaching a twelve month low in October at five per cent. Virtually no industry sector in the Area was left unscathed by the downturn. Severe weather, seasonal layoffs, unsold inventories and slow sales contributed to widespread employment losses. Civilian employment fell by 18,900 persons, primarily as a result of more than 15,400 persons dropping out of the labor force rather than continuing to look for work. The number of civilian unemployed rose sharply from the December 1984 total of 39,300, up by 3,500 new jobless persons in January 1985. Despite the over-the-month rise, the January 1985 total number of unemployed of 42,800 was well below the January 1984 unemployed total of 53,900 by over 11,000 persons. Over this same 12-month period, these 11,100 previously unemployed persons and an additional 2,000 persons who entered the labor force, all found jobs over the year, resulting in the net employment growth of 13,100 persons.

Wage and salaried employment in January 1985 was 662,500, down by 12,100 from the December 1984 total of 674,600. Employment losses were concentrated in the nonmanufacturing industries. The most severe cutbacks occurred in Retail Trade, which was down by 5,300 jobs from its December 1984 peak level of 122,200. This loss of more than 40 per cent of the total jobs over the month was due to the layoffs of personnel in department stores, food stores, apparel stores, eating and drinking establishments and miscellaneous retail stores. Wholesale Trade also recorded losses in both nondurable and durable goods. Services continued to experience winter season downturn with another 800 jobs lost. Among the tourist related services, recreational services and hotels accounted for a sizable proportion of jobs lost; business and agricultural services accounted for the remainder. Construction ranked as second among industries with a substantial loss over the month. The drop of 2,600 jobs from December 1984 to January 1985 marked the first major loss for the industry after showing steady job growth over the first nine months of 1984. Severe winter weather conditions contributed to a moderate decline in Transportation, Communications and Utilities as the trucking industries recorded a loss of approximately 500 jobs. A temporary decline of 1,400 jobs in State and Local Government was due to the semester break at area schools. Elsewhere within Nonmanufacturing there was little change, with the exception of Federal Government, which showed a modest gain of 200 jobs due compared in December 1984 for 5.3 per cent of the labor force and 53,900 in January 1984 for 7.4 per cent of the labor force.

primarily to the hiring of tax processors. Manufacturing employment fell over the month by 700 jobs, down to 119,500. The largest decline occurred in Stone, Clay and Glass Products, which fell by 400, accounting for more than half the total loss in Manufacturing. Smaller losses were registered in Fabricated Metals, Machinery and Motor Vehicles. All employment changes in Manufacturing were registered in Durable Goods Manufacturing. Having reached its 1984 peak at 52,300 in December 1984, Nondurable Goods held steady in January 1985.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 18,100 from January 1984 to January 1985. Manufacturing increased by 5,100 jobs, with 3,300 jobs added in Durable Goods and 1,800 jobs gained in Nondurable Goods Manufacturing. Nonmanufacturing employment had the largest gain, increasing by 13,000 over the 12-month period. Over the year employment growth was widespread among the Nonmanufacturing industries. Construction employment topped the list of biggest gainers, by adding 3,900 new jobs to the Kansas City Area payrolls. During the 12 months of 1984, Construction industry expanded by 6,500, surpassing the overall net gain during the 12 months of 1983 by 1,800 jobs. The second largest producer of jobs in the Area, over the period from January 1984 to January 1985, was the Services industry, which added 3,000 jobs to the Area's economy. During the 12 months of 1984, the Services industry ranked third among the top four industries in the Area. Most of the growth occurred in business services, hotels and recreational services. Retail trade which ranked as top producer of jobs over the calendar years 1983 and 1984, recorded the third largest growth in jobs among Nonmanufacturing industries, with a 12-month growth of 1,800 jobs. Finance, Insurance and Real Estate also added another 1,700 jobs in the banking sector. Other significant gains were recorded by State and Local Government, Federal Government, Transportation and Utilities, and Wholesale Trade. Among the manufacturing industries, the largest gains took place in Motor Vehicles as 2,600 jobs were added to that industry over the year. Electrical Equipment which also added 1,200 jobs together with Motor Vehicles, contributed 75 per cent of total over-all growth in Manufacturing. Moderate 12 month employment gains in Printing and Publishing, Chemicals and minor increases among the remaining sectors contributed to the remaining 25 per cent of payroll employment gains. Over the year, the only employment losses were reported in Manufacturing, with Machinery, accounting for approximately 80 per cent of the recorded declines.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 42,800 in January 1985, for 5.9 per cent of the labor force,

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT FORECAST

The Areas's labor market is expected to show little change in February 1985. Continued layoffs in Retail and Wholesale Trade and Construction will be the major factors affecting the Area's unemployment. Retail and Wholesale Trade is expected to fall to its lowest point of the year. Report of large inventories still remaining from the Christmas season may further aggravate the loss of jobs in the sector. Construction and Services will also remain in their winter slump. Continued large inventories and sluggish sales may contribute to the continuation of minor losses across many manufacturing industries. The only bright spots are expected in Government as Federal Tax Processors are hired and Area schools return to full session. Unemployment is expected to be 5.7 per cent of the labor force in February 1985, compared to 5.9 per cent in January 1985 and 6.3 per cent in February 1984.

KANSAS CITY AREA-
MISSOURI JOB SERVICE STATISTICS

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 30,337 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of January 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	17.0
	22-44	67.8
	45 and over	15.2
Sex:	Male	63.5
	Female	36.5
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	31.4
	Other Non-White	01.1
	Hispanic	02.0

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	49.8
Veterans	22.1
Handicapped	02.6

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated January 31, 1985.

JOB PLACEMENTS:

During January 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,694 and job placements totaled 2,051. There were 1,448 veteran referrals in January 1985, with 313 veteran placements. During December 1984, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 7,860 and job placements totaled 2,051. There were 1,214 veteran referrals in December 1984, with 240 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated January 31, 1985.

CHARACTERISTICS OF THE INSURED UNEMPLOYED IN THE KANSAS CITY AREA (MISSOURI SIDE ONLY)
JANUARY 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	13.6	16.5	14.5
25-34	34.7	36.8	35.3
35-44	25.4	22.8	24.5
45-54	14.2	13.8	14.0
55-64	11.5	08.9	10.6
65 and over	00.6	01.2	00.9
Unreported	00.0	00.1	00.2

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	00.6
Mining	00.3
Construction	16.2
Manufacturing	22.2
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	04.2
Wholesale & Retail Trade	20.6
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	02.4
Services	23.4
All Other	10.2
Information not available	00.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	09.0
Clerical	13.5
Sales	03.2
Services	11.7
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	01.2
Processing	02.3
Machine Trades	07.5
Bench Work	04.6
Structural Work	13.6
Miscellaneous	14.7
Information not available	18.7

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 6,996; 4,798 were male and 2,194 were female.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK - March 1984)

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas Month and Year of Current Data January, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	662,500	674,600	644,400	-12,100	+18,100
Total Manufacturing	119,500	120,200	114,400	-700	+5,100
Durable Goods	67,200	67,900	63,900	-700	+3,300
Lumber & Furniture	3,400	3,400	3,200	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,400	3,800	3,600	-400	-200
Primary Metal Industries	4,100	4,100	3,700	0	+400
Fabricated Metal Products	9,200	9,300	9,100	-200	+100
Machinery Except Electrical	7,600	7,700	8,700	-100	-1,100
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	20,800	20,700	19,600	+100	+1,200
Transportation Equipment	14,900	15,000	12,300	-100	+2,600
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	14,700	14,800	12,100	-100	+2,600
Other Durable Goods	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	52,300	52,300	50,500	0	+1,800
Food & Kindred Products	10,000	10,000	10,000	0	0
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,600	2,600	2,500	0	+100
Paper & Allied Products	5,400	5,400	5,300	0	+100
Printing & Publishing	19,900	19,900	19,200	0	+700
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,700	8,700	8,100	0	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	700	0	-100
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,100	4,700	0	+400
Total Nonmanufacturing	543,000	554,400	530,000	-11,400	+13,000
Mining & Quarrying	700	600	600	+100	+100
Construction	25,500	28,100	21,600	-2,600	+3,900
Transportation & Utilities	51,300	51,800	50,700	-500	+600
Wholesale & Retail Trade	169,700	175,900	167,200	-6,200	+2,500
Wholesale Trade	52,800	53,700	52,100	-900	+700
Retail Trade	116,900	122,200	115,100	-5,300	+1,800
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	49,600	49,800	47,900	-200	+1,700
Services	144,700	145,500	141,700	-800	+3,000
Government	101,500	102,700	100,300	-1,200	+1,200
Federal Government	28,400	28,200	27,800	+200	+600
State & Local Government	73,100	74,500	72,500	-1,400	+600
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	100	0	0

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TABLE 2. PRODUCTION WORKER AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current Data January, 1985

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$453.18	$473.67	$419.24	41.5	4[illegible]	41.0	$10.92	$10.99	$10.24
DURABLE GOODS	491.23	516.97	449.34	41.7	43.7	41.3	11.78	11.83	10.88
Lumber & Furniture	299.47	324.86	317.10	38.1	42.3	42.0	7.86	7.68	7.55
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	443.05	490.05	478.27	37.9	41.6	40.6	11.69	11.78	11.78
Primary Metal Industries	428.87	426.49	435.81	39.6	39.6	39.8	10.83	10.77	10.95
Fabricated Metal Products	364.70	374.74	385.97	39.3	41.0	40.8	9.28	9.14	9.46
Machinery Exc. Electrical	427.44	424.91	409.89	41.1	40.7	39.0	10.40	10.44	10.51
Elect. Equip. & Supplies	484.63	506.60	448.16	42.4	44.4	42.6	11.43	11.41	10.52
Transportation Equipment	690.08	743.82	580.25	45.4	48.3	42.2	15.20	15.40	13.75
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	694.79	748.75	585.43	45.5	48.4	42.3	15.27	15.47	13.84
Other Durable Goods	240.48	257.80	240.20	36.0	37.8	38.2	6.68	6.82	6.29
NONDURABLE GOODS	390.04	401.74	373.52	41.1	42.2	40.6	9.49	9.52	9.20
Food & Kindred Products	424.56	440.66	398.14	41.3	43.5	42.5	10.28	10.13	9.39
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	187.37	183.58	195.94	33.7	33.5	36.9	5.56	5.48	5.31
Paper & Allied Products	404.18	402.05	366.91	42.5	43.0	41.6	9.51	9.35	8.82
Printing & Publishing	391.33	419.21	396.55	38.9	40.7	38.5	10.06	10.30	10.30
Chemicals & Allied Prod.	491.05	493.58	446.08	45.3	45.2	40.7	10.84	10.92	10.96
Petroleum & Coal Prod.	432.60	460.80	370.16	42.0	45.0	38.8	10.30	10.24	9.54
Other Nondurable Goods	289.91	296.60	300.41	42.2	42.8	43.1	6.87	6.93	6.97

*This series excludes industry 2771.

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ST. LOUIS LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe and St. Clair Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,355,276 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

JANUARY, 1984

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AREA LABOR FORCE DEVELOPMENTS
(Missouri Portion Only)

The Missouri portion of the St. Louis MSA unemployment rate increased from 6.6% in December 1984 to 7.3% in January 1985. Revised data for the Illinois portion of the St. Louis MSA for 1984 and January 1985 is not yet available. The number of Missouri portion residents that were unemployed increased by 4800 while the total employed decreased by 25,700. Unemployment increases and employment decreases in January typically occur in the St. Louis area. Temporary workers hired for the holiday buying season in trade are laid off by January. School employment also decreases some as non-teaching personnel are laid off between semesters. The majority of these two groups of workers do not normally look for other employment when they are laid off. If they are not seeking employment, they are then not counted as unemployed. Because of this normal occurance, coupled with seasonal lay-offs in construction, employment declines more than unemployment increases. Over the year, unemployment declined by 13600 and increased by 12900. These changes are due to increased employment levels in most of durable goods manufacturing and the non manufacturing industries.

MANUFACTURING (Total St. Louis MSA)

Manufacturing employment declined by 1,100 over the month. Miscellaneous manufacturing declined 300 as the jewelry, toys, and sporting goods sectors all experienced seasonal layoffs. The leather industry continued its decline, losing 200 workers since the end of 1984. All other industries registered small declines or remained unchanged. Over the year, manufacturing added 3800 workers. Durable goods is up 4200. Fabricated metals (-200) and miscellaneous manufacturing (unchanged) are the only two durable goods industries that failed to show improvement. Nondurables declined 400 since January 1984. Food, printing and chemicals are the only industries that registered improvement. The leather industry suffered the most severe decline. This industry lost over 15% of its workers (-900) over the year.

NONMANUFACTURING (Total St. Louis MSA)

Nonmanufacturing declined 20,100 over the month. Seasonal. layoffs occurred in construction (-6200), trade (-8100), services decline and all of the construction drop is due to winter weather conditions. Nonteaching school personnel placed on lay off between semesters is responsible

for the remainder of the service decrease and the movement in government. Over the year, nonmanufacturing added 26,100 workers. All industries registered gains. The largest increases occurred in trade (+10,200), services (+5300) and construction (+4100).

UNEMPLOYMENT AND MANPOWER RESOURCES

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 6300 in January 1985 from December, 1984. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 4000 and in the Illinois portion they were up 2300.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan. '85
INA	0	0	0	0
Agriculture	23	24	37	71
Mining	105	72	36	34
Constructin	901	987	1269	2316
Manufacturing Total	3237	3363	3484	3309
Food	349	398	562	368
Textile	26	30	21	24
Apparel	208	145	132	206
Lumber	29	36	47	55
Furniture	82	89	82	62
Paper	99	115	87	79
Printing	135	151	162	133
Chemicals	199	168	163	135
Petroleum	17	14	25	14
Rubber	115	127	132	112
Leather	312	438	163	185
Stone	74	44	48	66
Primary Metal	186	184	212	195
Fabricated Metal	369	407	466	445
Machinery	80	67	112	113
Electrtical Machinery	239	219	242	249
Transportation Equip.	281	300	334	370
Instruments	33	16	20	15
Miscellaneous	399	410	470	480
Public Utilities	561	646	692	769
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2009	1817	1937	1832
Finance	300	244	259	252
Services	5542	5147	5380	5148
All Other	310	311	287	247
TOTAL	12988	12611	13381	13979

Of the 13,979 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in January, 1985, 63.4 percent were male and 36.6 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan. '85
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1730	1534	1529	1396
Clerical	2213	1966	2051	1920
Sales	636	533	589	507
Farm, Fish & Forest	76	99	133	195
Processing	260	245	276	296
Machine Trades	973	1048	1083	1115
Bench Work	749	704	774	710
Structural Work	1016	1037	1311	1723
Misc. Work	1628	1596	1816	1840
Domestic	66	68	63	51
Other Services	2181	2271	2217	2032
INA	1460	1510	1529	2194
TOTAL	12988	12611	13381	13979

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	45.3	14.7	21.7	40.9	2.1
Placements, %	42.8	13.8	38.4	37.3	2.1

AVAILABLE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	5.5	1.6
Clerical	18.4	14.3
Sales	17.5	21.3
Processing	1.1	1.4
Machine Trades	4.8	4.6
Bench Work	3.7	4.2
Structural Work	5.1	5.0
Motor Freight & Transportation	4.0	4.0
Packaging & Material Handling	9.9	14.2
Domestic	1.2	1.1
Other Services	27.6	27.3
Other Occupations	1.2	1.0

Data contained in the following nonagricultural wage and salary employment tables and the average hours and earnings of production workers table is based on the new definition of the St. Louis Metropolitan Statistical Area. The definitional change occurred because of the addition of Jersey County in Illinois to the metro area after review and publication of the 1980 census data.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)

Area and State St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area

Month and Year of Current Data January, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change to Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,036,500	1,057,700	1,006,600	-21,200	+29,900
Percent Change				-2.0	+3.0
Manufacturing	227,400	228,500	223,600	-1,100	+3,800
Durable Goods	143,700	144,300	139,500	-600	+4,200
Lumber & Furniture	5,000	5,000	4,500	0	+500
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,500	3,600	3,300	-100	+200
Primary Metal Industries	15,300	15,300	14,900	0	+400
Fabricated Metal Products	17,200	17,300	17,400	-100	-200
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,700	18,800	18,100	-100	+600
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,200	15,200	14,500	0	+700
Transportation Equipment	55,700	55,700	53,700	0	+2,000
Motor Vehicles	19,100	19,100	17,900	0	+1,200
Aircraft & Parts	35,700	35,700	34,600	0	+1,100
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,100	13,400	13,100	-300	0
Nondurable Goods	83,700	84,200	84,100	-500	-400
Food & Kindred Products	21,300	21,400	21,100	-100	+200
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,500	8,500	8,300	0	+200
Textiles & Apparel	6,700	6,700	6,900	0	-200
Paper & Paper Products	5,800	5,900	5,900	-100	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,500	16,600	16,200	-100	+300
Chemical & Allied Products	20,600	20,500	20,200	+100	+400
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,900	5,100	5,800	-200	-900
Other Nondurable Goods	5,500	5,600	5,600	-100	-100
Nonmanufacturing	809,100	829,200	783,000	-20,100	+26,100
Mining	3,600	3,600	3,300	0	+300
Construction	44,700	50,900	40,600	-6,200	+4,100
Transportation & Public Utilities	73,300	73,700	72,000	-400	+1,300
Railroads	7,400	7,400	7,300	0	+100
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,700	39,200	38,200	-500	+500
Communications & Public Utilities	27,200	27,100	26,500	+100	+700
Wholesale & Retail Trade	246,900	255,000	236,700	-8,100	+10,200
Wholesale Trade	64,500	65,600	63,900	-1,100	+600
Retail Trade	182,400	189,400	172,800	-7,000	+9,600
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	62,700	62,900	60,400	-200	+2,300
Service, Except Domestic	242,200	244,700	236,900	-2,500	+5,300
Total Government	135,700	138,400	133,100	-2,700	+2,600
Total Federal Government	37,500	37,700	36,800	-200	+700
Total State & Local Government	98,200	100,700	96,300	-2,500	+1,900
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	300	200	200	+100	+100

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TABLE 2. AVERAGE HOURS & EARNINGS OF PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING

Area and State St. Louis Metropolitan Area Month and Year of Current Data January, 1985

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
TOTAL MANUFACTURING	$448.92	$455.78	$430.35	40.7	41.7	41.3	11.03	10.93	10.42
DURABLE GOODS	472.15	482.23	449.59	41.2	42.6	41.9	11.46	11.32	10.73
Lumber & Furniture	371.47	375.03	322.80	43.6	44.7	40.4	8.52	8.39	7.99
Stone, Clay & Glass	392.66	392.83	367.50	36.8	37.7	37.5	10.67	10.42	9.80
Primary Metal Industries	478.74	469.45	438.79	40.4	40.4	38.9	11.85	11.62	11.28
Fabricated Metal Products	422.91	418.18	416.66	40.9	41.2	41.5	10.34	10.15	10.04
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	452.24	459.06	437.78	41.3	42.0	41.3	10.95	10.93	10.60
Elect. & Electronic Equip.	322.97	331.53	315.99	39.1	29.8	40.1	8.26	8.33	7.88
Transportation Equipment	598.49	629.28	570.06	43.4	46.0	45.1	13.79	13.68	12.64
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	308.21	299.49	286.10	37.0	39.2	39.3	8.33	7.64	7.28
NONDURABLE GOODS	405.11	410.04	397.36	39.6	40.2	40.3	10.23	10.20	9.86
Food & Kindred Products	492.00	487.86	486.93	41.0	41.1	41.3	12.00	11.87	11.79
Textiles & Apparel	213.94	224.22	204.43	34.9	36.4	36.9	6.13	6.16	5.54
Paper & Paper Products	418.32	443.50	430.69	42.0	43.1	42.6	9.96	10.29	10.11
Printing & Publishing	387.28	393.95	390.87	37.6	38.1	38.7	10.30	10.34	10.10
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	465.79	476.86	444.14	41.7	42.2	41.9	11.17	11.30	10.60
Petroleum & Coal Products	603.05	607.89	594.38	42.8	42.9	42.7	14.09	14.17	13.92
Leather & Leather Products	183.74	189.19	194.99	35.2	35.9	37.0	5.22	5.27	5.27
Other Nondurable Goods	324.40	312.62	316.31	40.0	40.6	40.5	8.11	7.70	7.81

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SPRINGFIELD LABOR MARKET REVIEW
(GREENE AND CHRISTIAN COUNTIES)
JANUARY, 1985

LLOYD BANWART, ANALYST

The number of unemployed persons in the Springfield area rose from 6,200 in December to 6,700 in January. The rate of unemployment climbed from 5.2 percent in December to 5.9 in January. These changes in the unemployment picture are seasonal in nature and do not indicate a softening of the economy.

During January, 1984, there were 8,300 persons unemployed and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 7.3 percent of the labor force.

NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT

Payrolled employment plunged from 96,700 in December to 93,800 in January. This seasonal drop occurred in the nonmanufacturing sector while overall manufacturing jobs remained at the 19,400 level. Nonmanufacturing employment fell 2,900 from December to 74,400 in January. Industries in the nonmanufacturing group recording significant changes in employment levels from December include: Construction, down 500; Transportation and Utilities, down 100; Trade, down 1,500; and government, down 800. The drops in construction, trade and government were fostered by seasonal influences and are in line with changes that normally occur between December and January.

Since one year ago, payrolled employment is up 2,700. Manufacturing jobs and nonmanufacturing jobs are up 300 and 2,400 respectively.

HOURS AND EARNINGS

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers decreased from $8.35 an hour in December to $8.29 in January. This drop was fostered by less overtime worked and lower earnings because of piece work or lower incentive pay. Average weekly hours worked fell 1.6 hours from December to 39.8 hours in January.

TABLE 1. NONAGRICULTURAL WAGE & SALARY EMPLOYMENT
(Place of Work)
(BENCHMARK- March, 1984)

Area and State Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current Data January, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary Employment (Exc. Domestics)	93,800	96,700	91,100	-2,900	+2,700
Manufacturing	19,400	19,400	19,100	0	+300
Durable Goods	10,400	10,500	10,100	-100	+300
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	900	0	0
Other Durable Goods	9,500	9,600	9,200	-100	+300
Nondurable Goods	9,000	8,900	9,000	+100	0
Food Processing	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,600	3,500	3,600	+100	0
Nonmanufacturing	74,400	77,300	72,000	-2,900	+2,400
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	2,900	3,400	2,600	-500	+300
Transportation & Utilities	6,100	6,200	6,000	-100	+100
Trade	25,800	27,300	25,400	-1,500	+400
Finane, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,200	0	+200
Services	23,000	23,000	22,100	0	+900
Government	12,100	12,900	11,600	-800	+500
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	10,400	11,200	9,900	-800	+500
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT OUTLOOK

The total number of payrolled jobs is expected to show a slight seasonal increase during Febraury. Both the number of unemployed persons and the rate of unemployment should drop slightly during February. A definite seasonal down trend will be established by March.

TABLE 2. GROSS AVERAGE HOURS AND EARNINGS FOR PRODUCTION AND RELATED WORKERS IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRIES

Area and State Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current Data January, 1985

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	IX	X
Manufacturing	$329.94	$345.69	$325.91	39.8	41.4	39.6	$8.29	$8.35	$8.23
Durable Goods	321.20	325.22	313.21	40.2	40.2	39.2	7.99	8.09	7.99
Nondurable Goods	342.52	352.08	345.32	39.1	40.1	40.2	8.78	8.78	8.59
Food & Kindred Products	377.71	374.74	385.48	41.1	40.6	42.5	9.19	9.23	9.07
Other Nondurable Goods	324.61	321.48	322.87	38.1	37.6	38.9	8.52	8.55	8.30

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS   DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

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Missouri Labor Market Review

Bill Niblack, Labor Economist ***Amy Miller, Analyst*** ***Data Month: February, 1985***

Missouri unemployment continued to move upward in February, as the rate edged up from 8.2 to 8.4 percent. About 196,800 Missourians were estimated to have been unemployed in February, compared to 190,900 in January. Much of this increase was seasonal, with February usually having the highest unemployment of any month in the year. Temporary layoffs in the February reference week also contributed to the rise in unemployment.

Civilian employment showed a greater-than-seasonal gain in the month, with the total climbing by 12,200 to 2,160,000. Nonfarm payroll employment was little changed over the month, however, with the total number of jobs decreasing by 2200 to 1,999,700. A drop of 3800 jobs in manufacturing -- the majority of which resulted from retooling layoffs in the automobile industry -- plus seasonal decreases in construction (2800 jobs) and retail trade (4200 jobs) were partly offset by seasonal gains in services (2600 jobs) and state and local government (6400 jobs).

The factory workweek edged down a little further to 39.3 hours in February, with a weather-related shutdown in the motor vehicles and equipment industry accounting for much of the decrease. This drop in average weekly hours forced average weekly earnings of manufacturing production

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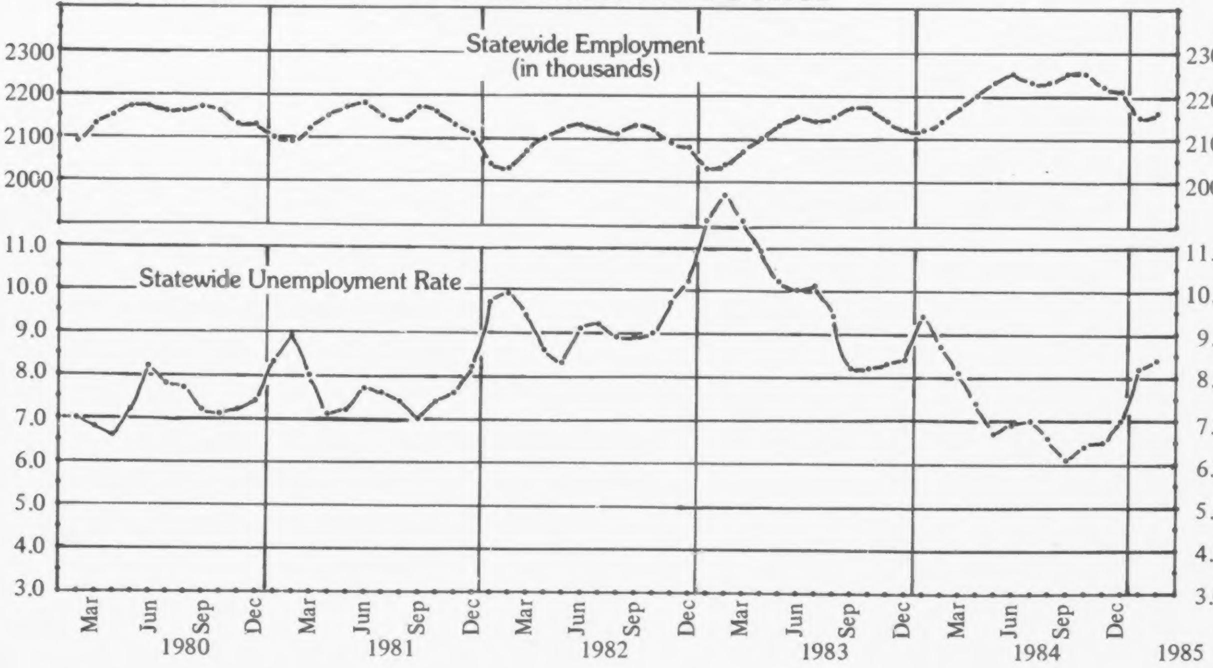

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - FEB 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - JAN 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - FEB 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2356888	2160046	196842	8.4	2338739	2147805	190934	8.2	2339268	2136635	202633	8.7
ST. LOUIS MSA	1158811	1057979	100832	8.7	1157065	1057635	99430	8.6	1156439	1046418	110021	9.5
KANSAS CITY MSA	729393	687559	41834	5.7	728655	684863	43792	6.0	723584	677933	45651	6.3
SPRINGFIELD MSA	115751	108913	6838	5.9	114781	107820	6961	6.1	115417	108115	7302	6.3
COLUMBIA MSA	60370	57344	3026	5.0	57200	54134	3066	5.4	58196	55659	2537	4.4
JOPLIN MSA	59224	54758	4466	7.5	58901	54592	4309	7.3	57326	52774	4552	7.9
ST. JOSEPH SMSA	40492	37060	3432	8.5	40388	36759	3629	9.0	42478	38700	3778	8.9
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16336	14973	1363	8.3	15971	14733	1238	7.8	16797	14731	2066	12.3
ANDREW	6216	5714	502	8.1	6101	5619	482	7.9	5821	5326	495	8.5
ATCHISON	3995	3696	299	7.5	4006	3691	315	7.9	4927	4509	418	8.5
AUDRAIN	10865	9684	1181	10.9	10935	9823	1112	10.2	10691	9808	883	8.3
BARRY	11366	10574	792	7.0	11253	10463	790	7.0	11127	10195	932	8.4
BARTON	4798	4561	237	4.9	4798	4552	246	5.1	4847	4577	270	5.6
BATES	7134	6566	568	8.0	7169	6618	551	7.7	7287	6708	579	7.9
BENTON	5257	4583	674	12.8	5227	4510	717	13.7	4928	4340	588	11.9
BOLLINGER	3273	2646	627	19.2	3175	2624	551	17.4	3213	2527	686	21.4
BUTLER	16313	14198	2115	13.0	16217	14208	2009	12.4	15833	13637	2196	13.9
CALDWELL	3541	3256	285	8.0	3510	3232	278	7.9	3501	3190	311	8.9
CALLAWAY	18034	16491	1543	8.6	17925	16387	1538	8.6	20303	18962	1341	6.6
CAMDEN	12574	11162	1412	11.2	12138	10698	1440	11.9	10898	9409	1489	13.7
CAPE GIRARDEAU	32092	30081	2011	6.3	31991	29949	2042	6.4	31001	28837	2164	7.0
CARROLL	4433	4016	417	9.4	4471	4069	402	9.0	4405	3977	428	9.7
CARTER	2797	2426	371	13.3	2744	2374	370	13.5	2977	2596	381	12.8
CEDAR	4327	3830	497	11.5	4325	3826	499	11.5	4332	3872	460	10.6
CHARITON	4686	4257	429	9.2	4604	4212	392	8.5	4535	4170	365	8.0
CLARK	3160	2740	420	13.3	3180	2744	436	13.7	3152	2655	497	15.8
CLINTON	7349	6709	640	8.7	7321	6689	632	8.6	7022	6502	520	7.4
COLE/OSAGE LMA	37219	34593	2626	7.1	36620	34024	2596	7.1	35608	33075	2533	7.1
COOPER	6889	5947	942	13.7	6654	6054	600	9.0	6764	6243	521	7.7
CRAWFORD	7855	6775	1080	13.7	7605	6671	934	12.3	7183	6383	800	11.1
DADE	3623	3451	172	4.7	3581	3420	161	4.5	3613	3420	193	5.3
DALLAS	4698	4163	535	11.4	4558	4087	471	10.3	4309	3823	486	11.3
DAVIESS	3076	2760	316	10.3	3044	2717	327	10.7	2922	2557	365	12.5
DEKALB	3504	3198	306	8.7	3493	3203	290	8.3	3136	2931	205	6.5
DENT	6043	5289	754	12.5	5983	5218	765	12.8	5832	5077	755	12.9
DOUGLAS	4478	3725	753	16.8	4417	3661	756	17.1	4334	3865	469	10.8
DUNKLIN	12810	10880	1930	15.1	12841	10777	2064	16.1	13151	11199	1952	14.8
GASCONADE	6785	6198	587	8.7	6723	6169	554	8.2	6740	6284	456	6.8
GENTRY	3706	3520	186	5.0	3700	3490	210	5.7	3798	3529	269	7.1
GRUNDY	5107	4724	383	7.5	5112	4719	393	7.7	4978	4437	541	10.9
HARRISON	4740	4375	365	7.7	4709	4372	337	7.2	4680	4276	404	8.6
HENRY	9261	8446	815	8.8	9451	8415	1036	11.0	8887	8160	727	8.2
HICKORY	2463	2165	298	12.1	2385	2132	253	10.6	2224	1943	281	12.6
HOLT	3107	2863	244	7.9	3034	2758	276	9.1	3134	2823	311	9.9
HOWARD	4744	4217	527	11.1	4490	4088	402	9.0	4623	4295	328	7.1
HOWELL	13430	11887	1543	11.5	13402	11903	1499	11.2	13197	11824	1373	10.4
IRON	4154	3249	905	21.8	4229	3273	956	22.6	4426	3845	581	13.1
JOHNSON	17436	16631	805	4.6	17194	16375	819	4.8	15689	14855	834	5.3
KNOX	2260	1982	278	12.3	2255	1968	287	12.7	2388	2061	327	13.7
LACLEDE	11602	10375	1227	10.6	11433	10217	1216	10.6	10958	9982	976	8.9
LAWRENCE	12391	11416	975	7.9	12312	11342	970	7.9	12062	10933	1129	9.4

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COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - FEB 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - JAN 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - FEB 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5460	4909	551	10.1	5398	4901	497	9.2	5350	4614	736	13.8
LINCOLN	10591	9488	1103	10.4	10351	9379	972	9.4	9842	8759	1083	11.0
LINN	7548	6818	730	9.7	7530	6743	787	10.5	7614	6773	841	11.0
LIVINGSTON	6487	5859	628	9.7	6447	5837	610	9.5	6724	6004	720	10.7
MACON	7490	5538	1952	26.1	7017	6405	612	8.7	6658	6028	630	9.5
MADISON	3761	3241	520	13.8	3727	3210	517	13.9	3700	3214	486	13.1
MARIES	2755	2390	365	13.2	2588	2290	298	11.5	2518	2223	295	11.7
MARION/RALLS LMA	17450	15781	1669	9.6	17529	15757	1772	10.1	17707	15743	1964	11.1
MCDONALD	5454	4973	481	8.8	5491	4921	570	10.4	5285	4755	530	10.0
MERCER	1688	1541	147	8.7	1684	1545	139	8.3	1760	1599	161	9.1
MILLER	10479	8586	1893	18.1	10204	8393	1811	17.7	10060	8475	1585	15.8
MISSISSIPPI	6529	5559	970	14.9	6472	5473	999	15.4	6467	5542	925	14.3
MONITEAU	4884	3793	1091	22.3	4863	3810	1053	21.7	4763	3798	965	20.3
MONROE	4476	4024	452	10.1	4333	3972	361	8.3	4317	4010	307	7.1
MONTGOMERY	5212	4564	648	12.4	5077	4495	582	11.5	5130	4610	520	10.1
MORGAN	5617	4730	887	15.8	5507	4657	850	15.4	5437	4551	886	16.3
NEW MADRID	11205	9968	1237	11.0	11235	9894	1341	11.9	11319	10080	1239	10.9
NODAWAY	10422	9836	586	5.6	10315	9723	592	5.7	10211	9546	665	6.5
OREGON	3070	2574	496	16.2	3053	2536	517	16.9	3031	2633	398	13.1
OZARK	3976	3438	538	13.5	3829	3358	471	12.3	3632	3183	449	12.4
PEMISCOT	8185	7169	1016	12.4	8264	7148	1116	13.5	8068	6923	1145	14.2
PERRY	6972	6242	730	10.5	6867	6192	675	9.8	6759	6087	672	9.9
PETTIS	16549	15006	1543	9.3	16359	14789	1570	9.6	15974	14440	1534	9.6
PHELPS	15867	14498	1369	8.6	15219	14015	1204	7.9	15367	14179	1188	7.7
PIKE	6559	5674	885	13.5	6471	5554	917	14.2	7015	6048	967	13.8
POLK	8939	8355	584	6.5	8844	8261	583	6.6	8391	7785	606	7.2
PULASKI	8879	8048	831	9.4	8722	7878	844	9.7	8875	7978	897	10.1
PUTNAM	2639	2421	218	8.3	2639	2400	239	9.1	2927	2562	365	12.5
RANDOLPH	11669	10144	1525	13.1	11408	10426	982	8.6	11370	10475	895	7.9
REYNOLDS	2165	1651	514	23.7	2146	1634	512	23.9	2466	1945	521	21.1
RIPLEY	3357	2812	545	16.2	3304	2811	493	14.9	3254	2724	530	16.3
SALINE	13848	12894	954	6.9	13843	12827	1016	7.3	13429	12565	864	6.4
SCOTLAND	2441	2235	206	8.4	2407	2227	180	7.5	2268	2019	249	11.0
SCOTT	16731	14853	1878	11.2	16765	14879	1886	11.2	17073	15132	1941	11.4
SHANNON	2970	2327	643	21.6	2893	2335	558	19.3	3107	2375	732	23.6
SHELBY	3085	2643	442	14.3	3065	2817	248	8.1	3006	2806	200	6.7
ST. CLAIR	3708	3428	280	7.6	3639	3352	287	7.9	3643	3353	290	8.0
ST. FRANCOIS	19332	16953	2379	12.3	18845	16497	2348	12.5	19480	17247	2233	11.5
STE. GENEVIEVE	5931	5298	633	10.7	5792	5285	507	8.8	5643	5092	551	9.8
STODDARD	12496	11066	1430	11.4	12646	11008	1638	13.0	12433	10642	1791	14.4
STONE	7042	5465	1577	22.4	6890	5332	1558	22.6	6933	5313	1620	23.4
SULLIVAN	3237	2967	270	8.3	3245	2953	292	9.0	3355	3013	342	10.2
TANEY	13011	10598	2413	18.5	13202	10774	2428	18.4	11928	9621	2307	19.3
TEXAS	8087	6507	1580	19.5	7912	6628	1284	16.2	7998	6825	1173	14.7
VERNON	9430	8785	645	6.8	9361	8756	605	6.5	9321	8693	628	6.7
WARREN	7009	6391	618	8.8	6948	6358	590	8.5	5925	5226	699	11.8
WASHINGTON	4911	3048	1863	37.9	4667	3567	1100	23.6	4585	3613	972	21.2
WAYNE	4344	3555	789	18.2	4241	3520	721	17.0	4127	3397	730	17.7
WEBSTER	8119	7214	905	11.1	7830	6972	858	11.0	7442	6670	772	10.4
WORTH	1094	993	101	9.2	1085	985	100	9.2	1052	948	104	9.9
WRIGHT	7105	6245	860	12.1	7105	6261	844	11.9	7184	6484	700	9.7

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
February, 1984

Industry Title	**All Employees**			**Production Workers**								
	(In Thousands)			**Average Weekly Earnings**			**Average Weekly Hours**			**Average Hourly Earnings**		
	Curr. Mo.	**Prev. Mo.**	**1 Yr. Age**	**Curr. Mo.**	**Prev. Mo.**	**1 Yr. Ago**	**Curr. Mo.**	**Prev. Mo.**	**1 Yr. Ago**	**Curr. Mo.**	**Prev. Mo.**	**1 Yr. Ago**
Total Non-Agri. Employment	1996.6	1998.9	1967.9									
Total Manufacturing	429.1	432.9	424.1	373.74	377.15	366.83	39.3	39.7	40.4	9.51	9.50	9.08
Durable Goods	245.4	248.4	240.6	411.20	414.72	407.95	40.0	40.5	41.5	10.28	10.24	9.83
Lumber & Wood Products	10.5	10.6	10.0	228.28	230.63	234.08	37.3	37.5	38.5	6.12	6.15	6.08
Furniture & Fixtures	11.3	11.2	10.4	311.18	307.73	301.49	43.4	43.1	41.7	7.17	7.14	7.23
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.1	10.3	10.8	412.29	404.77	408.04	40.5	39.8	41.3	10.18	10.17	9.88
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	534.48	429.70	527.22	39.3	39.5	39.7	13.60	13.41	13.28
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.3	2.4	480.73	492.47	436.21	41.3	42.2	39.8	11.64	11.67	10.96
Other Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	7.0	7.1	7.4	377.20	366.52	382.20	40.0	39.2	42.0	9.43	9.35	9.10
Primary Metal Industries	13.7	13.8	13.6	432.68	434.32	448.94	40.1	39.7	40.3	10.79	10.94	11.14
Iron & Steel Foundries	2.0	2.1	1.9	372.91	352.04	348.30	41.9	39.6	40.5	8.90	8.89	8.60
Nonferrous Foundries	3.1	3.1	3.0	353.68	349.06	317.60	44.1	43.2	39.9	8.02	8.08	7.96
Other Primary Metals	8.6	8.6	8.8	478.17	484.43	515.91	38.5	38.6	40.4	12.42	12.55	12.77
Fabricated Metal Products	28.1	27.8	28.1	379.35	381.24	388.63	40.1	40.3	41.3	9.46	9.46	9.41
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	10.6	10.6	10.5	369.66	362.50	358.29	40.4	40.1	39.2	9.15	9.04	9.14
Other Fabricated Metal Prod.	17.4	17.2	17.5									
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.5	31.4	32.0	390.57	392.75	397.54	40.1	40.2	40.4	9.74	9.77	9.84
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	50.5	51.8	48.5	382.70	377.99	356.59	40.8	40.6	40.8	9.38	9.31	8.74
Transportation Equipment	71.1	72.7	68.5	552.62	567.51	544.43	39.7	42.1	43.8	13.92	13.48	12.43
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	32.1	38.4	37.7	541.11	538.46	524.80	40.9	40.7	41.0	13.23	13.32	12.80
Other Transportation Equip.	39.0	38.4	37.7	541.11	538.46	524.80	40.9	40.7	41.0	13.23	13.32	12.80
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.8	11.9	11.9	282.74	270.60	325.21	39.6	37.9	42.4	7.14	7.14	7.67
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	6.8	6.8	6.9	239.44	232.63	264.27	36.5	35.9	39.8	6.56	6.48	6.64
Nondurable Goods	183.7	184.5	183.5	324.78	326.94	316.68	38.3	38.6	39.0	8.48	8.47	8.12
Food & Kindred Products	44.3	44.5	44.9	386.11	387.69	383.72	40.6	40.3	41.8	9.51	9.62	9.18
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	11.6	11.8	11.7	271.76	267.33	277.38	40.5	38.8	41.9	6.71	6.89	6.62
Dairy Products	6.3	6.3	6.4	394.70	392.60	417.41	41.9	41.9	44.5	9.42	9.37	9.38
Grain Mill Products	7.2	7.1	7.4	405.37	421.45	419.79	40.7	41.4	43.1	9.96	10.18	9.74
Bakery Products	5.2	5.2	5.4	385.76	386.80	363.58	37.2	37.3	36.8	10.37	10.37	9.88
Beverages	10.0	10.0	9.7	604.44	589.11	519.43	41.4	40.6	39.5	14.60	14.51	13.15

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	4.1	4.1	4.3	391.27	411.40	418.71	40.8	42.5	43.3	9.59	9.68	9.67
Textile & Apparel	25.0	24.9	25.6	184.38	189.16	186.79	34.4	34.9	36.2	5.36	5.42	5.16
Paper & Allied Products	13.3	13.3	13.1	366.33	380.70	345.23	40.3	42.3	39.5	9.09	9.00	8.74
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.6	6.6	6.6	381.92	385.73	35.15	41.2	41.7	39.0	9.27	9.25	8.85
Other Paper & Allied Products	6.7	6.7	6.5	353.63	376.21	346.00	39.6	42.8	40.0	8.93	8.79	8.65
Printing & Publishing	40.2	40.2	38.7	365.77	360.69	364.05	37.4	37.3	38.2	9.78	9.67	9.53
Commercial Printing	12.7	12.8	12.2	433.48	420.25	429.55	40.1	40.1	40.6	10.81	10.48	10.58
Other Printing & Publishing	27.5	27.5	26.5	302.93	304.13	304.20	34.9	34.6	36.0	8.68	8.79	8.45
Chemicals & Allied	29.4	29.2	28.3	453.95	452.94	420.24	41.8	41.9	41.2	10.86	10.81	10.20
Leather & Leather Products	18.2	18.9	19.9	177.75	189.12	186.55	33.1	34.7	35.0	5.37	5.45	5.33
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.6	15.3	15.6	169.45	183.51	182.85	32.4	34.3	34.5	5.23	5.35	5.42
Other Leather & Leather Prod.	3.6	3.7	4.3	213.94	211.63	200.00	36.2	36.3	36.9	5.91	5.83	5.42
Other Nondurable Goods	13.3	13.4	13.0	314.42	318.57	304.67	41.1	41.0	40.3	7.654	7.77	7.56
Total Nonmanufacturing	1567.5	156.9	1543.7									
Mining	5.7	5.9	6.3									
Construction	69.2	72.0	73.2									
Transportation & Public Util.	133.6	133.6	132.2									
Railroad Transportation	13.2	13.2	13.0									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	69.0	68.9	67.4									
Communications	51.4	51.5	51.8									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	471.0	475.3	462.6									
Wholesale Trade	130.7	130.8	129.9									
Retail Trade	340.3	344.5	332.7									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	113.4	113.3	111.9									
Services	431.2	428.6	422.4									
Government	343.4	337.3	335.1									
Federal Government	68.8	69.0	68.5									
State & Local Government	274.7	268.3	266.6									

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workers down by $3.41 to $373.74, since average hourly earnings were little changed at $9.51. The drop in hours compared to last year (the February 1983 workweek averaged 40.4 hours) limited the gain in average weekly earnings to 1.9 percent over the year, despite a 43 cent gain in average hourly earnings.

The labor market situation has been fairly stable since late last summer, when a slowdown from the rapid rates of economic growth experienced in the first two years of recovery brought with it a virtual halt in the rapid improvement noted in employment and unemployment. Other than the usual seasonal movements, there has been little change or possibly even a slight increase in unemployment since about last September. Employment seems to have increased a little, if somewhat haltingly, during this period.

Compared to a year ago, the labor force is up by about 17,000, total employment has grown by about 23,000, and unemployment is down by about 6000. The February 1984 unemployment rate of 8.4 percent is down a little from the year-earlier rate of 8.7 percent. Growth of payroll employment has been similar to total employment, with the February 1984 jobs total being about 29,000 above the corresponding 1983 level. About 5000 of the increase occurred in the manufacturing industries, with most of the nonmanufacturing gains occurring in retail trade, services, and state and local government.

National Labor Market Conditions

National unemployment was little changed in February, with the seasonally adjusted civilian rate edging down to 7.3 percent from January's 7.4 percent. There has been little change in the unemployment rate since about last May.

The not-seasonally-adjusted rates, which are more comparable to Missouri's published data, were 8.0 percent in January and 7.8 percent in February. Like in Missouri, total employment increased somewhat in February.

Since the beginning of recovery in late 1982, employment, as measured on both household and establishment bases, has increased by about 7-1/2 million. During the same period, the number of jobless Americans has fallen by about 3-1/2 million. The difference between employment growth and the decrease in unemployment is accounted for by growth of the labor force.

Outlook

The U.S. Commerce Department's "flash" estimate of gross national product placed the nation's economic growth rate at only 2.1 percent in the first quarter, considerably less than had been expected. This measure is based on limited imputs and is usually subject to large revisions, but it does seem to suggest that the economy was fairly sluggish in the opening months of 1985.

Another key economic figure -- the index of leading economic indicators -- increased substantially in February, following an even larger gain in January. The interpretation of these increases is mixed, with some analysts seeing them as indicative of accelerating growth in upcoming months while others feel that growth will be limited by sluggishness in the manufacturing sector. All things considered, it looks like the current situation of relative stability in the labor markets will continue at least for the next few months.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments
Missouri — February, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1 Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,356,800	2,338,700	2,339,200	18,100	17,600
Total Employed	2,160,000	2,147,800	2,136,600	12,200	23,400
Total Unemployed	196,800	190,900	202,600	5,900	-5,800
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	8.4	8.2	8.7	0.2	-0.3
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Comestics (No. of Jobs)	1,997,500	1,999,700	1,967,900	-2,200	29,600
Manufacturing	430,000	433,800	424,100	-3,800	5,900
Durable Goods	245,400	248,400	240,600	-3,000	4,800
Nondurable Goods	184,600	185,400	183,500	-800	1,100
Nonmanufacturing	1,567,500	1,565,900	1,543,700	1,600	23,800
State Initial Claims (Wkly Average)	10,343	15,649	8,345	-5,306	1,998
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	67,941	64,192	60,413	3,749	7,528
Insured Unemployment Rate	3.6	2.9	3.0	0.7	0.6
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	4,176	4,704	4,912	-528	736
Amount of Benefits Paid	$22,093,719	$20,917,129	$18,218,907	$1,176,590	$3,874,812
State U.I.	21,760,157	20,510,486	17,804,322	1,249,671	3,955,835
UCFE	153,823	190,110	234,068	-36,287	-80,245
UCX	179,739	216,533	180,517	-36,794	-778

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KANSAS CITY LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Clay, Cass, Platte, Lafayette and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Miami and Leavenworth counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

February, 1985

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An increase in the employment of temporary workers pushed the February 1985 unemployment rate to 5.7 per cent of the labor force, down by three tenths of a percentage point from the January rate. Despite the increase of 2,700 in the number of employed civilian workers, non-agricultural establishment payrolls showed a modest loss of 1,500 jobs from January to February 1985. Most of the movements recorded in the labor market over-the-month were relatively minor. The civilian labor force showed modest job growth of 700, while the number of unemployed workers fell by 2,000. Across the industrial sectors, movements in employment were affected mainly by seasonal factors.

Wage and salaried employment in February 1985 was 661,800, down by 1,500 from the January 1985 total of 663,300. The bulk of the over-the-month losses was concentrated in the Nonmanufacturing industries. Manufacturing employment showed little change over-the-month. Minor losses in Stone, Clay and Glass, Machinery, Transportation Equipment, Food and Kindred and Printing and Publishing were generally offset by minor gains in Primary Metals, Fabricated Metals, Electrical Equipment and Apparel and Textiles. Within the Nonmanufacturing sector, seasonal losses of 1,900 jobs in Retail Trade were concentrated in department stores, eating and drinking establishments and miscellaneous retail stores, primarily non-store retailers. Moderate losses of 300 jobs in Wholesale Trade were equally spread between Durable and Nondurable Goods. The Construction industry sustained less severe losses over the period from January to February, compared to the losses recorded from December to January. Continued activity on Construction projects in the Metropolitan Area kept the employment losses down to 1,000 jobs. Despite the onset of tax processing time, the Federal Government sector showed a decline of 300 jobs apparently reflecting the increased use of computers in tax processing operations. The only significant increase over-the-month was in State and Local Government, which showed an increase of 1,400 jobs, primarily in local schools. The return to work of school personnel, who were temporarily laid off during the previous month semester break accounted for the increase. Similarly, an increase in the employment in the private school sector resulted in a modest gain of 400 jobs in Services. A small increase in Transportation, Communications and Utilities was registered primarily in long distance trucking.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 13,400 from February 1984 to February 1985. Manufacturing increased by 4,700 jobs, with 2,300 jobs added in Durable Goods and 2,400 jobs added in Nondurable Goods. Nonmanufacturing employment registered the largest gain with 8,700 jobs and accounted for 65 per cent of the total job growth over-the-year. The Services industry set the pace registering 2,600 jobs over year ago figures. Among the other Nonmanufacturing industries, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, with 1,600 new jobs, Construction with 1,400 jobs, Transportation, Communications and Utilities with 1,100 additional jobs and the combined Retail and Wholesale Trade sector, with 1,800 jobs, accounted for the remaining 6,100 new jobs created. Within Manufacturing, the healthy climate for automobile sales contributed to the Motor Vehicle Equipment sector showing 2,100 more jobs over its year earlier level. Increased sales in communication and electronic equipment and renewed strength of the automotive industry contributed to the growth of 1,300 jobs over-the-year in the Electrical Equipment industry. Except for small losses in Primary Metals and Petroleum and the continued slump in Machinery, which combined accounted for a total loss of 1,900 jobs, all other Manufacturing industries recorded increases over last year's levels.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 41,800 in February 1985 for 5.7 per cent of the labor force, compared with 43,800 in January 1985 for 6.0 per cent of the labor force and 45,700 in February 1984 for 6.3 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The Area's economy is expected to show real improvement in March 1985. Generally mild spring-like weather, coupled with continued construction activity, should cooperate to bring Construction employment out of its temporary slump. Services employment will continue to increase as recreation and tourist operations begin hiring in preparation for summer activities. Employment in Retail Trade will rebound from its February low point with moderate gains. While no major declines are anticipate, high levels of inventories may prevent sizable gains in Manufacturing empoyment. Unemployment is expected to be 5.3 per cent of the labor force in March 1985, compared to 5.7 per cent in February 1985 and 6.1 per cent in March 1984.

The unemployment rate in the Area may fall another three tenths of a percentage point in April 1985. Continued expansion in employment in the Construction, Services and Retail Trade sectors will follow as mild spring weather embraces the Area. Manufacturing employment is expected to change little over-the-month. Although no announcement has been made, the only movement in Manufacturing which may occur is the usual shutdown for retooling in the automobile assembly industry. Unemployment is expected to be 5.0 per cent of the labor force in April 1985, compared to 5.3 per cent in March 1985 and 5.8 in April 1984.

Kansas City Area-
Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 31,806 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of February 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	17.2
	22-44	68.1
	45 and over	14.7
Sex:	Male	63.7
	Female	36.3
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	30.5
	Other Non-White	01.1
	Hispanic	02.0

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	49.3
Veterans	21.8
Handicapped	02.5

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated February 28, 1985.

JOB PLACEMENTS:

During February 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,233 and job placements totaled 2,247. There were 1,450 veteran referrals in February 1985, with 319 veteran placements. During January 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,694 and job placements totaled 2,487. There were 1,448 veteran referrals in January 1985, with 313 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated February 28, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)
February 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.7	17.3	16.2
25-34	34.8	36.1	35.2
35-44	22.2	21.1	21.9
45-54	15.0	13.8	14.6
55-64	11.3	09.7	10.9
65 and over	00.6	02.0	01.0
Unreported	00.4	00.0	00.2

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	00.8
Mining	00.5
Construction	22.9
Manufacturing	18.9
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	04.7
Wholesale & Retail Trade	20.4
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	01.9
Services	22.5
All Other	07.5
Information not available	00.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	08.3
Clerical	12.9
Sales	03.7
Services	10.6
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	01.5
Processing	01.8
Machine Trades	06.5
Bench Work	04.6
Structural Work	15.6
Miscellaneous	14.4
Information not available	20.1

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 8,755; 6,230 were male and 2,525 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current: February, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	661,800	663,300	648,300	-1,500	+13,500
Total Manufacturing	119,600	119,500	114,900	+100	+4,700
Durable Goods	66,800	66,800	64,500	0	+2,300
Lumber & Furniture	3,400	3;400	3,200	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,400	3,500	3,700	-100	-300
Primary Metal Industries	4,100	4,000	3,800	+100	+300
Fabricated Metal Products	9,300	9,200	9,200	+100	+100
Machinery Except Electrical	7,100	7,200	8,600	-100	-1,500
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,000	20,800	19,700	+200	+1,300
Transportation Equipment	14,800	14,900	12,700	-100	+2,100
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,600)	(14,700)	(12,500)	(-100)	(+2,100)
Other Durable Goods	3,700	3,800	3,600	-100	+100
Nondurable Goods	52,800	52,700	50,400	+100	+2,400
Food & Kindred Products	10,000	10,100	9,900	-100	+200
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,700	2,600	2,500	+100	+200
Paper & Allied Products	5,400	5m400	5,300	0	+100
Printing & Publishing	20,100	20,200	19,200	-100	+900
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,700	8,700	8,100	0	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	700	0	-100
Other Nondurable Goods	5,200	5,100	4,700	+100	+500
Total Nonmanufacturing	542,100	543,800	533,400	-1,700	+8,700
Mining & Quarrying	600	700	600	-100	0
Construction	24,700	25,700	23,300	-1,000	+1,400
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	51,600	51,400	50,500	+200	+1,100
Wholesale & Retail Trade	167,800	170,000	166,000	-2,200	+1,800
Wholesale Trade	(52,600)	(52,900)	(51,800)	(-300)	(+800)
Retail Trade	(115,200)	(117,100)	(114,200)	(-1,900)	(+1,000)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	49,600	49,700	48,000	-100	+1,600
Services	145,000	144,600	142,400	+400	+2,600
Government	102,800	101,700	102,600	+1,100	+200
Federal Government	(28,200)	(28,500)	(28,200)	(-300)	(0)
State & Local Government	(74,600)	(73,200)	(74,400)	(+1,400)	(+200)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	100	0	0

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missour-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: February, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$442.49	$450.02	$429.94	42.2	41.4	41.5	$10.74	$10.87	$10.36
Durable Goods	481.90	490.12	467.58	41.4	41.5	42.2	11.64	11.81	11.08
Lumber & Furniture	302.15	291.04	313.96	39.6	38.6	40.2	7.63	7.54	7.81
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	498.62	442.32	479.89	37.1	38.0	40.6	13.44	11.64	11.82
Primary Metal Industries	423.54	430.55	465.81	39.0	39.5	40.4	10.86	10.90	11.53
Fabricated Metal Products	353.60	357.59	371.85	38.9	38.7	40.2	9.09	9.24	9.25
Fabricated Metal Products	415.31	422.06	411.84	40.4	40.7	39.0	10.28	10.37	10.56
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	487.46	485.10	447.26	43.1	42.0	42.8	11.31	11.55	10.45
Transportation Equipment	646.32	690.08	658.44	43.7	45.4	46.5	14.79	15.20	14.16
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(650.87)	(694.79)	(665.48)	(43.8)	(45.5)	(46.7)	(14.86)	(15.27)	(14.25)
Other Durable Goods	255.61	234.20	248.43	37.7	34.8	39.0	6.78	6.73	6.37
Nondurable Goods	379.55	385.22	371.39	40.9	41.2	40.5	9.28	9.35	9.17
Food & Kindred Products	417.92	407.26	421.47	42.3	41.6	44.6	9.88	9.79	9.45
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	197.11	199.02	212.51	36.1	35.1	39.5	5.46	5.67	5.38
Paper & Allied Products	376.48	395.59	348.30	40.7	42.4	40.5	9.25	9.33	8.60
Printing & Publishing	384.54	390.04	391.23	39.0	39.2	37.8	9.86	9.95	10.35
Chemicals & Allied Products	485.05	491.96	448.52	44.5	45.3	40.7	10.90	10.86	11.02
Petroleum & Coal Products	403.56	421.89	366.34	40.6	41.0	38.2	9.94	10.29	9.59
Other Nondurable Goods	282.35	291.76	265.05	41.4	41.8	39.5	6.82	6.98	6.71

* This series ecludes industry 2771.

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ST. LOUIS LABOR MARKET REVIEW

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

February, 1985

RUSSELL SIGNORINO, ANALYST

Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) unemployment rate in February was 8.7%. This February's rate was up only one-tenth of one percentage point from the January rate of 8.6%. The February rate normally increases by this amount each year as seasonal layoffs occur in construction, transportation, and trade. These three industries are usually at their yearly employment law point during Februray. Over the month, the number of St. Louis area residents that were unemployed increased by 1400. Total employment also increased since January, but only by 300. Over the year, the area's labor force continued to register improvement. Unemployment declined by 9200 and total employment was up by 11,600. The unemployment rate in February, 1984 was 9.5%. There were 100 labor disputants in February, 300 in January, and 100 in February, 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment declined by 1800 over the month. Motor vehicles, down 2200, was affected by two layoffs. A temporary layoff, of about 3 months duration affected 1700 auto assembly workers at one plant being retooled to produce a new minivan. Also in the same industry, 300 workers werre placed on indefinite layoff at a local auto parts supplier. The aircraft and parts sector continued to add workers, up 400 from January. All other manufacturing industries registered little or no movement during the month. Over the year, manufacturing rose by 2600. Increases occurred in most durable goods industries with aircraft, up 1400, showing the greatest improvement. Nondurable goods continued to register lower employment levels. Employment in this sector was down 600. The leather and apparel industries are still being affected by imports and lower than expected demand. Three industries that have added workers over the year are beverages, printing and chemicals.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment increased by 500 over the month. Seasonal layoffs occurred in construction, transportation, and trade. Construction and transportation were affected by winter weather conditions while trade was in a normal seasonal lull between Christmas and Easter. Services and government both added workers as non-teaching school personnel, temporarily laid off between semesters in January, returned to work at private and public schools. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 22,000 workers. Trade continues to be responsible for a majority of the increase, adding 12,100 employees since February, 1984. Other industries registering substantial gains were services (+4,800), finance, insurance and real estate (+2,300) and government (+1,600).

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 4500 in February, 1985 from January, 1985. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 3700 and in the Illinois portion they were up 800.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Nov.	Dec.	Jan. '85	Feb.
INA	0	0	1	2
Agriculture	24	37	71	147
Mining	72	36	34	31
Constructin	987	1269	2316	4361
Manufacturing Total	3237	3363	3484	3309
Food	398	562	368	423
Textile	30	21	24	27
Apparel	145	132	206	170
Lumber	36	47	55	41
Furniture	89	82	62	57
Paper	115	87	79	79
Printing	151	162	133	172
Chemicals	168	163	135	139
Petroleum	14	25	24	18
Rubber	127	132	112	140
Leather	438	163	185	257
Stone	44	48	66	105
Primary Metal	184	212	195	221
Fabricated Metal	407	466	445	483
Machinery	67	112	113	115
Electrtical Machinery	219	242	249	172
Transportation Equip.	300	334	370	1384
Instruments	16	20	15	32
Miscellaneous	410	470	480	613
Public Utilities	646	692	769	873
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	1817	1937	1832	2302
Finance	244	259	252	237
Services	5147	5380	5148	5764
All Other	311	387	247	236
TOTAL	12611	13381	13979	18605

Of the 18,605 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in February, 1985, 69.7 percent were male and 30.3 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Nov.	Dec.	Jan. '85	Feb.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1534	1529	1396	1472
Clerical	1966	2051	1920	2046
Sales	533	589	507	621
Farm, Fish & Forest	99	133	195	331
Processing	245	276	296	304
Machine Trades	1048	1083	1115	1215
Bench Work	704	774	710	767
Structural Work	1037	1311	1723	2470
Misc. Work	1596	1816	1840	2223
Domestic	68	63	51	46
Other Services	2271	2217	2032	2415
INA	1510	1529	2194	4695
TOTAL	12611	13381	13979	18605

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	45.1	14.6	21.7	40.2	2.1
Placements, %	43.4	13.7	38.1	37.0	2.1

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	**Openings Received Percent**	**Openings Filled Percent**
Professional, Technical & Managerial	5.3	1.7
Clerical	18.2	15.8
Sales	16.6	20.8
Processing	1.1	1.4
Machine Trades	4.6	4.5
Bench Work	3.7	4.2
Structural Work	6.2	4.8
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.8	3.8
Packaging & Material Handling	9.4	13.8
Domestic	1.1	1.0
Other Services	28.9	27.1
Other Occupations	1.1	1.1

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in March, 1985 is expected to be 8.3% and in April, 7.7%. Both unemployment rate decreases are seasonal.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current:** February, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,034,500	1,035,800	1,009,900	-1,300	+24,600
Percent Change				-(0.1)	+(2.4)
Manufacturing	225.700	227,500	223,100	-1,800	+2,600
Durable Goods	141,900	143,700	138,700	-1,800	+3,200
Lumber & Furniture	5,000	5,000	4,600	0	+400
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,300	3,400	3,400	-100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	15,300	15,400	15,000	-100	+300
Fabricated Metal Products	17,400	17,200	17,300	+200	+100
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,800	18,900	18,100	-100	+700
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,200	15,100	14,200	+100	+1,000
Transportation Equipment	53,700	55,500	52,900	-1,800	+800
Motor Vehicles	16,900	19,100	17,200	-2,200	-300
Aircraft & Parts	35,900	35,500	34,500	+400	+1,400
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,200	13,200	13,200	0	0
Nondurable Goods	83,800	83,800	84,400	0	-600
Food & Kindred Products	21,500	21,400	21,200	+100	+300
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,500	8,500	8,300	0	+200
Textiles & Apparel	6,700	6,700	7,000	0	-300
Paper & Paper Products	5,800	5,900	5,900	-100	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,500	16,500	16,200	0	+300
Chemical & Allied Products	20,700	20,600	20,300	+100	+400
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,900	4,900	5,800	0	-900
Other Nondurable Goods	5,300	5,400	5,600	-100	-300
Nonmanufacturing	808,800	808,300	786,800	+500	+22,000
Mining	3,400	3,600	3,300	-200	+100
Construction	42,400	44,200	42,000	-1,800 +400	
Transportation & Public Utilities	73,200	73,600	72,500	-400	+700
Railroads	7,500	7,500	7,400	0	+100
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,600	39,000	38,400	-400	+200
Communications & Public Utilities	27,100	27,100	26,700	0	+400
Wholesale & Retail Trade	245,000	247,000	232,900	-2,000	+12,100
Wholesale Trade	64,700	64,600	63,400	+100	+1,300
Retail Trade	180,300	182,400	169,500	-2,100	+10,800
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	62,600	62,500	60,300	+100	+2,300
Service, Except Domestic	243,800	242,000	239,000	+1,800	+4,800
Total Government	138,400	135,400	136,800	+3,000	+1,600
Total Federal Government	37,500	37,400	36,900	+100	+600
Total State & Local Government	100,900	98,000	99,900	+2,900	+1,000
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	100	300	100	-200	0

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: February, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$432.84	$443.20	$427.44	39.1	40.0	41.1	$11.07	$11.08	$10.40
Durable Goods	448.50	463.39	448.93	39.0	40.4	41.8	11.50	11.47	10.74
Lumber & Furniture	360.82	376.27	339.44	42.6	43.6	40.7	8.47	8.63	8.34
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	372.01	374.71	374.45	36.4	36.7	37.9	10.22	10.21	9.88
Primary Metal Industries	456.19	452.02	447.60	38.4	37.7	40.0	11.88	11.99	11.19
Fabricated Metal Products	419.80	421.68	415.89	40.6	40.9	41.3	10.34	10.31	10.07
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	445.51	448.93	455.62	40.5	41.3	41.8	11.00	10.87	10.90
Elect & Electronic Equip.	317.81	321.26	308.11	38.9	28.8	39.4	8.17	8.28	7.82
Transportation Equipment	555.43	582.41	562.67	38.2	41.9	44.2	14.54	13.90	12.73
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	291.56	307.07	290.07	37.0	36.8	40.4	7.88	8.35	7.18
Nondurable Goods	406.36	407.15	392.00	39.3	39.3	40.0	10.34	10.36	9.80
Food & Kindred Products	490.46	496.51	467.28	40.5	41.0	39.6	12.11	12.11	11.80
Textiles & Apparel	199.92	206.06	209.17	33.6	34.4	38.1	5.95	5.99	5.49
Paper & Paper Products	404.50	415.17	402.27	40.9	41.6	41.6	9.89	9.98	9.67
Printing & Publishing	387.45	385.39	393.33	37.8	37.2	38.6	10.25	10.36	10.19
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	472.15	468.95	449.63	41.2	41.1	42.1	11.46	11.41	10.68
Petroleum & Coal Products	662.68	662.97	572.29	44.9	45.1	41.5	14.75	14.70	13.79
Leather & Leather Products	191.53	184.45	193.50	35.6	35.4	37.5	5.38	5.24	5.16
Other Nondurable Goods	322.40	324.26	322.60	40.2	39.4	41.2	8.02	8.23	7.82

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SPRINGFIELD LABOR MARKET REVIEW

(GREENE AND CHRISTIAN COUNTIES)

JANUARY, 1985

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded from 114,800 in January to 115,700 in February. This is the net result of an 1,100 gain in employment and a decrease of 200 in the number of unemployed persons. The February preliminary unemployment rate for the Springfield area, estimated at 5.9 percent, decreased from 6.1 percent in January and probably marks the start of a seasonal downtrend.

Compared to February 1984, total labor force is up 300, the number of unemployed is down 500 and the rate of unemployment shows a drop of four-tenths of a percentage point.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment rose from 93,700 in January to 94,400. This 700 gain was concentrated in the nonmanufacturing sector with total manufacturing jobs remaining at the January level. Nonmanufacturing jobs were up 700 from January to reach 75,100 in February. Seasonal influences pushed construction and government up 200 and 800 respectively. The jump in government is somewhat artificial in nature and is of little or no economic significance. Local government employment rebounded as schools opened following a brief recess which was in progress during the January survey. Job reductions in trade and services of 200 and 100 respectively occurred from January to February.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers decreased from $8.39 in January to $8.37 in February. This drop was fostered by a decrease in the amount of overtime worked in the nondurable manufacturing group. The average factory work week fell 1.2 hours from January to 38.7 hours in February.

During February 1984, hourly earnings averaged $8.16 and the average weekly hours worked came to 39.5 hours.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current: February, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	94,400	93,700	92,900	+700	+1,500
Manufacturing	19,300	19,300	19,200	0	+100
Durable Goods	10,300	10,300	9,900	0	+400
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	800	0	+100
Other Durable Goods	9,400	9,4009,100	0	+300	
Nondurable Goods	9,000	9,000	9,300	0	-300
Food Processing	3,800	8,300	4,000	0	-200
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,600	3,600	3,700	0	-100
Nonmanufacturing	75,100	74,400	73,700	+700	+1,400
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,200	3,000	2,900	+200	+300
Transportation & Utilities	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	0
Trade	25,500	25,700	25,200	-100	+300
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,200	0	+200
Services	22,800	22,900	22,600	-100	+200
Government	13,100	12,300	12,700	+800	+400
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,400	10,600	11,000	+800	+400
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Overall payrolled employment will probably show a slight rise during March. This increase will reflect normal seasonal changes in the nonmanufacturing sector.

The number of unemployed persons is expected to edge downward in March. The rate of unemployment should drop one or two-tenths of a percentage point during the month.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: February, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$323.92	$334.76	$322.32	38.7	39.9	39.5	$8.37	$8.39	$8.16
Durable Goods	317.00	330.47	318.35	38.8	40.4	40.4	8.17	8.18	7.88
Nondurable Goods	333.80	340.56	326.61	38.5	39.1	38.2	8.67	8.71	8.55
Food & Kindred Products	372.10	374.42	380.03	40.8	41.1	41.9	9.12	9.11	9.07
Other Nondurable Goods	315.28	323.47	298.29	37.4	38.1	36.2	8.43	8.49	8.24

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

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Missouri Labor Market Review

Bill Niblack, Labor Economist **Amy Miller, Analyst** **Data Month: March, 1985**

Missouri unemployment dropped sharply in March, with much of the drop accounted for by the seasonal improvement that comes at the end of winter. The unemployment rate fell more than a full percentage point, dropping from 8.4 percent in February to 7.3 percent. This represented a decrease of 23,700 in the estimated number of jobless Missourians, which fell to 175,400 in March.

Employment increased substantially in the month, with total employment climbing by 51,900 to 2,211,100. As in the case of unemployment, the improvement was somewhat greater than the expected seasonal amount. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment also grew but by a smaller amount. The number of nonfarm payroll jobs increased by 23,000 to 2,019,500 in March, with seasonal gains in construction (up by 6200 jobs), services (5800 jobs) and retail trade (5000 jobs) leading the way. The durable goods manufacturing industries showed growth of 2300 jobs between February and March.

Over the past several months, employment has shown a fair amount of improvement, while unemployment has been fairly stable, on a seasonally adjusted basis. Total employment grew by of 44,700 between March 1984 and March 1985 while unemployment fell by 15,900 in the same period. Nonfarm payroll employment grew by 31,200 jobs during the year.

The factory workweek rebounded in March, climbing back up to 40.1 hours from February's temporarily-reduced 39.2 hours. A sharp increase in average weekly hours in the

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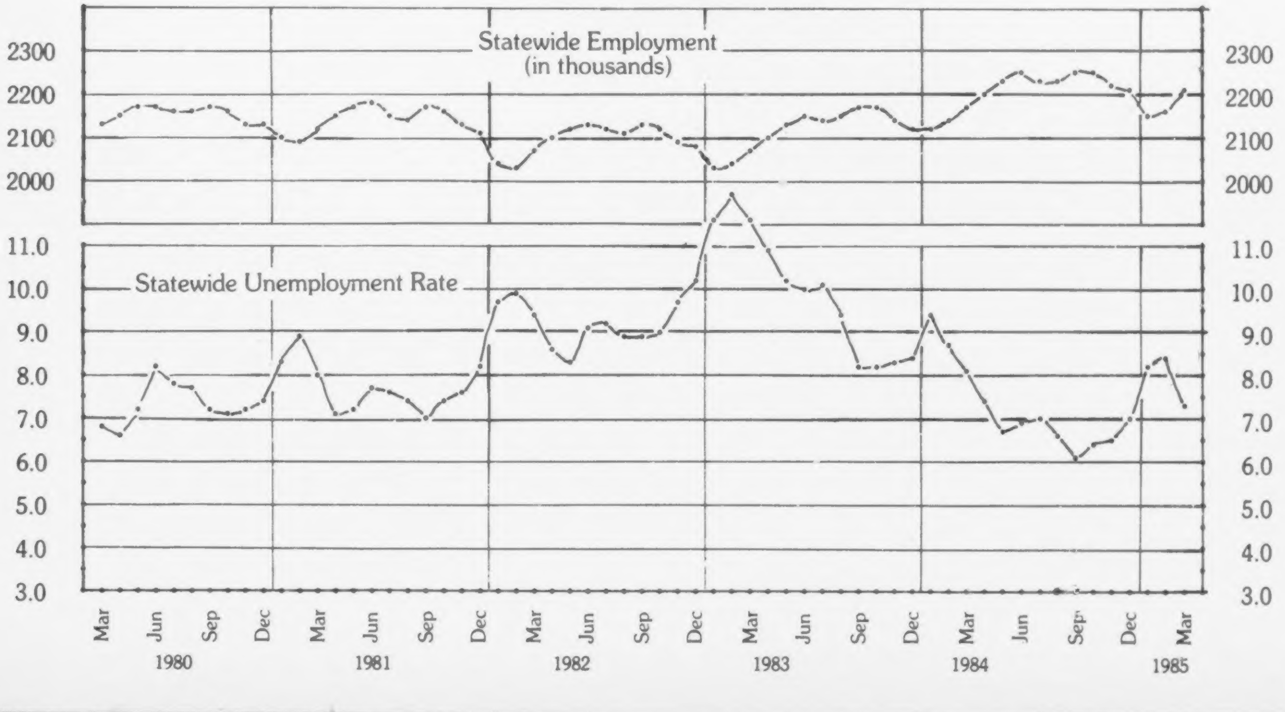

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - MAR 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - FEB 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - MAR 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2386469	2211095	175374	7.3	2358322	2159248	199074	8.4	2357733	2166460	191273	8.1
ST. LOUIS SMSA	1165719	1077066	88653	7.6	1159359	1057353	102006	8.8	1160836	1053002	107834	9.3
KANSAS CITY SMSA	746767	708683	38084	5.1	729754	687387	42367	5.8	729935	685626	44309	6.1
SPRINGFIELD SMSA	116151	110038	6113	5.3	115375	108487	6888	6.0	116695	109944	6751	5.8
COLUMBIA SMSA	60147	57443	2704	4.5	60365	57310	3055	5.1	58463	55881	2582	4.4
JOPLIN SMSA	60059	56024	4035	6.7	59582	55039	4543	7.6	57962	53474	4488	7.7
ST. JOSEPH SMSA	41137	37911	3226	7.8	40647	37164	3483	8.6	42888	39116	3772	8.8
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16210	15022	1188	7.3	16316	14964	1352	8.3	16578	15351	1227	7.4
ANDREW	6249	5859	390	6.2	6221	5711	510	8.2	6031	5520	511	8.5
ATCHISON	4065	3768	297	7.3	4000	3693	307	7.7	4357	3745	612	14.0
AUDRAIN	11124	9867	1257	11.3	10868	9678	1190	10.9	10903	10009	894	8.2
BARRY	11899	11060	839	7.1	11721	10918	803	6.9	11005	10206	799	7.3
BARTON	4923	4703	220	4.5	4803	4558	245	5.1	4896	4679	217	4.4
BATES	7465	6965	500	6.7	7308	6715	593	8.1	7558	6945	613	8.1
BENTON	5356	4841	515	9.6	5271	4580	691	13.1	5051	4531	520	10.3
BOLLINGER	3314	2726	588	17.7	3275	2644	631	19.3	3245	2573	672	20.7
BUTLER	16536	14473	2063	12.5	16297	14156	2141	13.1	16025	13906	2119	13.2
CALDWELL	3569	3326	243	6.8	3537	3253	284	8.0	3571	3278	293	8.2
CALLAWAY	18160	16761	1399	7.7	18026	16480	1546	8.6	20497	19132	1365	6.7
CAMDEN	12966	11901	1065	8.2	12575	11140	1435	11.4	11567	10363	1204	10.4
CAPE GIRARDEAU	32413	30624	1789	5.5	32132	30112	2020	6.3	31011	28989	2022	6.5
CARROLL	4546	4161	385	8.5	4446	4026	420	9.4	4589	4095	494	10.8
CARTER	2781	2428	353	12.7	2792	2411	381	13.6	2937	2603	334	11.4
CEDAR	4317	3926	391	9.1	4292	3792	500	11.6	4371	4018	353	8.1
CHARITON	4795	4397	398	8.3	4706	4255	451	9.6	4637	4306	331	7.1
CLARK	3265	2831	434	13.3	3181	2738	443	13.9	3070	2729	341	11.1
CLINTON	7429	6899	530	7.1	7351	6705	646	8.8	7196	6690	506	7.0
COLE/OSAGE LMA	37687	35353	2334	6.2	37229	34570	2659	7.1	35964	33311	2653	7.4
COOPER	6952	6382	570	8.2	6881	5943	938	13.6	6807	6272	535	7.9
CRAWFORD	7663	6720	943	12.3	7863	6771	1092	13.9	7358	6573	785	10.7
DADE	3688	3534	154	4.2	3626	3449	177	4.9	3732	3559	173	4.6
DALLAS	4757	4334	423	8.9	4708	4160	548	11.6	4277	3861	416	9.7
DAVIESS	3115	2847	268	8.6	3073	2758	315	10.3	3068	2690	378	12.3
DEKALB	3598	3334	264	7.3	3505	3196	309	8.8	3235	2992	243	7.5
DENT	6088	5487	601	9.9	6041	5286	755	12.5	5913	5270	643	10.9
DOUGLAS	4592	3869	723	15.7	4495	3746	749	16.7	4453	4035	418	9.4
DUNKLIN	12954	11096	1858	14.3	12803	10873	1930	15.1	13092	11328	1764	13.5
GASCONADE	6802	6346	456	6.7	6788	6193	595	8.8	6828	6365	463	6.8
GENTRY	3796	3624	172	4.5	3708	3517	191	5.2	3873	3606	267	6.9
GRUNDY	5292	4972	320	6.0	5145	4753	392	7.6	5064	4558	506	10.0
HARRISON	4867	4566	301	6.2	4798	4425	373	7.8	4810	4377	433	9.0
HENRY	9479	8803	676	7.1	9270	8441	829	8.9	9025	8342	683	7.6
HICKORY	2494	2296	198	7.9	2475	2164	311	12.6	2274	1998	276	12.1
HOLT	3211	2986	225	7.0	3105	2853	252	8.1	3232	2937	295	9.1
HOWARD	4712	4362	350	7.4	4742	4214	528	11.1	4721	4409	312	6.6
HOWELL	13612	11964	1648	12.1	13438	11879	1559	11.6	13212	11911	1301	9.8
IRON	4068	3257	811	19.9	4159	3231	928	22.3	4452	3788	664	14.9
JOHNSON	17416	16798	618	3.5	17378	16561	817	4.7	15862	15120	742	4.7
KNOX	2323	2062	261	11.2	2264	1981	283	12.5	2410	2143	267	11.1
LACLEDE	11648	10584	1064	9.1	11607	10371	1236	10.6	11078	10146	932	8.4
LAWRENCE	12609	11615	994	7.9	12406	11409	997	8.0	12245	11153	1092	8.9

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - MAR 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - FEB 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - MAR 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5672	5140	532	9.4	5465	4906	559	10.2	5487	4830	657	12.0
LINCOLN	10605	9718	887	8.4	10645	9525	1120	10.5	9941	8886	1055	10.6
LINN	7617	6998	619	8.1	7543	6814	729	9.7	7728	6979	749	9.7
LIVINGSTON	6552	5934	618	9.4	6501	5865	636	9.8	6841	6151	690	10.1
MACON	7233	6638	595	8.2	7498	5535	1963	26.2	6708	6134	574	8.6
MADISON	3740	3216	524	14.0	3762	3239	523	13.9	3798	3301	497	13.1
MARIES	3027	2654	373	12.3	2842	2481	361	12.7	2564	2301	263	10.3
MARION/RALLS LMA	17761	15837	1924	10.8	17455	15796	1659	9.5	17916	15974	1942	10.8
MCDONALD	5428	5033	395	7.3	5502	5000	502	9.1	5488	4958	530	9.7
MERCER	1743	1621	122	7.0	1689	1540	149	8.8	1799	1631	168	9.3
MILLER	10395	8974	1421	13.7	10499	8580	1919	18.3	10073	8730	1343	13.3
MISSISSIPPI	6792	5730	1062	15.6	6533	5556	977	15.0	6386	5542	844	13.2
MONITEAU	4746	4232	514	10.8	4897	3805	1092	22.3	4818	4321	497	10.3
MONROE	4520	4196	324	7.2	4470	4022	448	10.0	4468	4175	293	6.6
MONTGOMERY	5277	4710	567	10.7	5216	4561	655	12.6	5212	4749	463	8.9
MORGAN	5709	5038	671	11.8	5630	4726	904	16.1	5519	4861	658	11.9
NEW MADRID	11369	10167	1202	10.6	11221	9964	1257	11.2	11315	10183	1132	10.0
NODAWAY	10723	10173	550	5.1	10421	9829	592	5.7	10421	9769	652	6.3
OREGON	3148	2667	481	15.3	3075	2573	502	16.3	3015	2655	360	11.9
OZARK	4189	3763	426	10.2	3959	3416	543	13.7	3895	3516	379	9.7
PEMISCOT	8305	7354	951	11.5	8179	7164	1015	12.4	8137	7080	1057	13.0
PERRY	6933	6360	573	8.3	6972	6238	734	10.5	6857	6242	615	9.0
PETTIS	16746	15335	1411	8.4	16570	14996	1574	9.5	16168	14771	1397	8.6
PHELPS	15859	14723	1136	7.2	15875	14489	1386	8.7	15411	14271	1140	7.4
PIKE	6722	5810	912	13.6	6556	5670	886	13.5	7075	6143	932	13.2
POLK	9250	8662	588	6.4	8942	8349	593	6.6	8817	8276	541	6.1
PULASKI	8988	8096	892	9.9	8854	8014	840	9.5	8835	8048	787	8.9
PUTNAM	2689	2499	190	7.1	2640	2419	221	8.4	2955	2653	302	10.2
RANDOLPH	11742	10850	892	7.6	11825	10290	1535	13.0	11507	10675	832	7.2
REYNOLDS	2135	1677	458	21.5	2176	1650	526	24.2	2459	1996	463	18.8
RIPLEY	3350	2841	509	15.2	3357	2811	546	16.3	3268	2785	483	14.8
SALINE	14015	13290	725	5.2	13835	12866	969	7.0	13568	12807	761	5.6
SCOTLAND	2387	2205	182	7.6	2319	2107	212	9.1	2327	2112	215	9.2
SCOTT	17138	15465	1673	9.8	16948	15040	1908	11.3	17202	15339	1863	10.8
SHANNON	2896	2374	522	18.0	2977	2326	651	21.9	3273	2580	693	21.2
SHELBY	3215	2934	281	8.7	3084	2641	443	14.4	3115	2885	230	7.4
ST. CLAIR	3733	3522	211	5.7	3710	3426	284	7.7	3794	3472	322	8.5
ST. FRANCOIS	19263	17236	2027	10.5	19425	17014	2411	12.4	19579	17297	2282	11.7
STE. GENEVIEVE	6000	5410	590	9.8	5942	5295	647	10.9	5672	5112	560	9.9
STODDARD	12806	11381	1425	11.1	12586	11059	1527	12.1	12529	10848	1681	13.4
STONE	7115	5756	1359	19.1	7061	5461	1600	22.7	7065	5689	1376	19.5
SULLIVAN	3339	3063	276	8.3	3245	2965	280	8.6	3448	3133	315	9.1
TANEY	13553	11358	2195	16.2	13043	10591	2452	18.8	12119	10151	1968	16.2
TEXAS	8087	6863	1224	15.1	8117	6515	1602	19.7	7937	6887	1050	13.2
VERNON	9552	8984	568	5.9	9431	8779	652	6.9	9462	8892	570	6.0
WARREN	7122	6547	575	8.1	7027	6403	624	8.9	6070	5439	631	10.4
WASHINGTON	4650	3590	1060	22.8	4918	3040	1878	38.2	4554	3610	944	20.7
WAYNE	4298	3652	646	15.0	4339	3553	786	18.1	4218	3499	719	17.0
WEBSTER	8251	7442	809	9.8	8032	7108	924	11.5	7497	6774	723	9.6
WORTH	1121	1037	84	7.5	1090	992	98	9.0	1093	984	109	10.0
WRIGHT	7217	6342	875	12.1	7117	6241	876	12.3	7337	6627	710	9.7

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
March, 1984

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2019.5	1996.5	1988.3									
Total Manufacturing	430.8	428.8	430.1	382.55	372.79	373.11	40.1	39.2	40.6	9.54	9.51	9.19
Durable Goods	247.4	245.1	245.3	425.79	412.23	417.06	41.5	40.1	42.0	10.26	10.28	9.93
Lumber & Wood Products	10.7	10.5	10.2	229.82	228.89	233.25	37.8	37.4	39.4	6.08	6.12	5.92
Furniture & Fixtures	11.3	11.2	10.7	301.75	309.00	291.69	42.5	43.4	40.4	7.10	7.12	7.22
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.3	10.0	10.9	437.44	410.22	405.90	41.9	40.1	41.0	10.44	10.23	9.90
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	536.35	534.48	580.03	39.7	39.3	42.4	13.51	13.60	13.68
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.3	2.4	468.07	480.80	452.97	39.4	41.2	40.3	11.88	11.67	11.24
Primary Metal Industries	13.7	13.7	13.8	449.96	452.99	459.67	40.5	40.7	41.3	11.11	11.13	11.13
Iron & Steel Foundries	2.0	2.1	1.9	358.50	372.91	363.85	40.6	41.9	41.3	8.83	8.90	8.81
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.1	3.0	336.34	345.46	344.38	43.3	43.4	42.1	7.92	7.96	8.18
Fabricated Metal Products	28.3	28.1	28.0	384.48	374.66	383.57	40.6	39.9	41.2	9.47	9.39	9.31
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod	10.7	10.6	10.4	366.51	368.23	352.56	40.1	40.2	38.7	9.14	9.16	9.11
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.5	31.4	32.4	396.17	391.15	395.57	40.8	40.2	40.2	9.71	9.73	9.84
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.7	50.5	49.2	381.10	383.11	359.68	41.2	40.8	41.2	9.25	9.25	8.73
Transportation Equipment	71.5	71.1	71.2	597.56	550.84	570.57	44.1	39.6	45.5	13.55	13.91	12.54
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	32.3	32.1	33.4	630.21	555.88	603.06	45.9	39.9	48.4	13.73	14.29	12.46
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.8	11.8	11.9	288.23	286.63	322.98	40.2	40.2	42.0	7.17	7.13	7.69
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	6.8	6.8	7.0	238.71	243.57	256.99	36.5	37.3	38.3	6.54	6.53	6.71
Nondurable Goods	183.4	183.8	184.8	325.08	322.79	319.37	38.2	38.2	38.9	8.51	8.45	8.21
Food & Kindred Products	44.5	44.3	44.5	374.36	381.91	383.46	39.2	40.5	41.5	9.55	9.43	9.24
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	11.9	11.6	11.4	252.79	261.45	274.99	37.9	40.1	42.7	6.67	6.52	6.44
Dairy Products	6.2	6.3	6.3	393.34	394.70	412.16	41.8	41.9	44.8	9.41	9.42	9.20
Grain Mill Products	7.1	7.2	7.2	400.37	405.37	392.62	39.7	40.7	39.9	10.08	9.96	9.84
Bakery Products	5.2	5.2	5.4	375.38	375.55	364.08	37.5	37.0	37.0	10.01	10.15	9.84
Beverages	10.0	10.0	9.7	590.73	604.44	567.78	40.6	41.4	39.9	14.55	14.60	14.23

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Industry Title	All Employees (In Thousands)			Production Workers								
				Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	4.0	4.1	4.4	392.19	389.91	407.04	38.3	40.7	42.4	10.24	9.58	9.60
Textile & Apparel	25.1	25.0	26.5	191.84	184.73	187.27	35.2	34.4	35.4	5.45	5.37	5.29
Paper & Allied Products	13.4	13.3	13.1	376.28	365.92	354.48	40.9	40.3	40.1	9.20	9.08	8.84
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.6	6.6	6.6	400.90	380.69	370.23	42.2	41.2	41.0	9.50	9.24	9.03
Printing & Publishing	40.2	40.2	38.9	367.79	366.15	370.36	37.8	37.4	38.7	9.73	9.79	9.57
Commercial Printing	12.8	12.7	12.3	436.04	433.88	441.32	40.1	40.1	41.4	10.74	10.82	10.66
Chemicals & Allied	29.5	29.4	28.5	448.13	448.81	433.02	41.0	41.1	42.0	10.93	10.92	10.31
Leather & Leather Products	17.5	18.2	19.9	181.15	178.28	183.85	33.3	33.2	34.3	5.44	5.37	5.36
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.1	14.7	15.6	176.09	169.98	180.88	33.1	32.5	34.0	5.32	5.23	5.32
Total Nonmanufacturing	1588.7	1567.7	1558.1									
Mining	6.2	5.7	6.3									
Construction	75.3	69.1	74.1									
Transportation & Public Util.	134.0	133.6	133.3									
Railroad Transportation	12.9	13.0	13.0									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	69.5	69.1	68.5									
Communications	51.6	51.6	51.7									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	475.5	470.3	467.5									
Wholesale Trade	131.0	130.8	130.7									
Retail Trade	344.5	339.5	336.8									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	113.9	113.4	112.8									
Services	437.7	431.9	428.7									
Government	346.1	343.7	335.4									
Federal Government	70.4	69.2	68.4									
State & Local Government	275.7	274.5	267.0									

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automobile industry was largely responsible, but a number of other durable goods industries also reported an average workweek greater than 40 hours.

The increase in hours helped push average weekly earnings of manufacturing production workers up by nearly $10 to $382.55. Average hourly earnings increased 3 cents over the month to $9.54.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

National employment increased substantially in March, while unemployment remained the same. The seasonally adjusted civilian unemployment rate was 7.3 percent in both February and March, representing about 8.4 million jobless Americans. Total civilian employment increased by about 432,000 to 107.1 million, as the proportion of the working age population who had a job reached a record level of 60.3 percent.

Preliminary gross national product data for the first quarter show that the nation's production of goods and services increased at an even slower rate — 1.3 percent — in the January-March period than the earlier "flash" estimate had predicted. The slow growth apparently stemmed largely from a flood of imports, as spending remained strong in the quarter.

Outlook

The government's index of leading economic indicators fell slightly in March after increasing in the previous two months. This may well suggest continued sluggishness in the economy but probably does not forebode a recession, because overall spending remains strong. The performance of the economy may vary substantially among sectors, however, with the manufacturing industries tending to be hurt by the rising tide of imports. This may limit further drops in unemployment, and some moderate increase in unemployment is even possible. Sectors such as services will probably continue to see employment growth.

Movements of this sort should be far outweighed in the next few months in Missouri by seasonal changes, with the improvement in April usually being the largest in the year. Some additional improvement usually occurs in May, with unemployment jumping up in June as the labor force swells in the summer.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments
Missouri — March, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,386,500	2,358,300	2,357,700	28,200	28,800
Total Employed	2,211,100	2,159,200	2,166,400	51,900	44,700
Total Unemployed	175,400	199,100	191,300	-23,700	-15,900
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	7.3	8.4	8.1	-1.1	-0.8
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Comestics (No. of Jobs)	2,019,500	1,996,500	1,988,300	-2,300	31,200
Manufacturing	430,800	428,800	430,100	2,000	700
Durable Goods	247,400	245,100	245,300	2,300	2,100
Nondurable Goods	183,400	183,800	184,800	-400	-1,400
Nonmanufacturing	1,588,700	1,567,700	1,558,100	21,000	30,600
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	7,315	10,454	8,398	-3,028	-1,083
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	56,705	67,941	58,610	-11,236	-1,905
Insured Unemployment Rate	3.1	3.6	3.1	-0.5	0.0
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	4,316	4,176	5,833	-140	-1,517
Amount of Benefits Paid	$21,256,530	$22,093,719	$19,208,576	-$837,189	-$2,047,954
State U.I.	20,919,613	21,760,157	18,791,997	-840,544	3,955,835
UCFE	158,562	153,823	231,513	4,739	-72,951
UCX	178,355	179,739	185,066	-1,384	-6,711

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Clay, Cass, Platte, Lafayette and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Miami and Leavenworth counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

March, 1985

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Large seasonal employment gains in Construction, Services and Government led to the Area's second consecutive month of a decline in the unemployment rate. The March 1985 unemployment rate dropped by 0.7 of a percentage point over-the-month to 5.1 per cent of the civilian labor force as the number of unemployed workers fell by 4,300 over-the-month. During this period the total civilian labor force expanded by 17,000 persons. The combined effects of the growing labor force and declining numbers of jobless resulted in an overall growth in civilian employment of 21,300. Over-the-month total nonagricultural wage and salaried employment also grew by 5,300 jobs, with the bulk of the gain occurring in Nonmanufacturing. Both the place-of-work and the place-of-residence employment series have risen over last year's levels — the nonagricultural payroll series increased by 10,100 and the civilian employment series grew by 23,100. The drop in March's unemployment numbers and rate also compares favorably with those figures at this same time a year ago. The unemployment rate dropped a full percentage point from the March 1984 rate of 6.1 per cent, while the number of unemployed workers fell by 6,200 from March 1984 to March 1985.

Wage and salaried employment in March 1985 was 667,000, up by 5,300 from the February 1985 total of 661,700. In largest over-the-month employment advances took place in the Nonmanufacturing sector, primarily as a result of strong seasonally related employment effects. After posting modest gains in February, the Services sector made substantial employment increases of 1,700 jobs in March 1985 as activity in recreation, hotel and agriculture gained momentum. The expansion of construction contracting activity in the Area continued to spur large additional gains in Construction employment. While special trades registered the largest gains, building and nonbuilding construction showed significant growth and, together, accounted for 1,600 new jobs in the sector. Federal tax processing contributed to an additional 800 jobs in the sector. Federal tax processing contributed to an additional 800 jobs in the Federal Government sector. Elsewhere within Nonmanufacturing, Transportation, Communications and Utilities and State and Local Government each recorded minor losses.

As in previous months, the Manufacturing sector remained fairly stable over-the-month. The only noteworthy movement was a gain of 400 jobs in the Electrical Equipment industry, mostly in communications equipment. All other Durable Goods industries showed only minor increases over-the-month. The net growth of 1,100 jobs gained in Manufacturing over-the-month occurred in the Durable Goods producing sector. Within the Nondurable Goods producing sector there was no change, as minor gains in Apparel and Printing and Publishing were completely offset by equal losses in Paper and Other Nondurables.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 10,100 from March 1984 to March 1985. Manufacturing increased by 2,600 jobs, with 300 jobs added in Durable Goods manufacturing and 2,300 jobs in Nondurable Goods manufacturing. Nonmanufacturing employment accounted for over 74 per cent of the total jobs gained over-the-year.

Within Nonmanufacturing, the strength of Construction contracting over-the-year, most notably in building construction and special trades, contributed to Construction employment showing the largest over-the-year growth, with 2,500 new jobs added. Led by gains in personal services, recreation and health services, the Services sector posted an increase of 2,100 new jobs over last year's level. Among the other nonmanufacturing industries, Federal Government and Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, with an additional 1,200 jobs each, accounted for 24 per cent of the total 7,500 jobs gained over-the-year in the sector. In contrast to the general upward trend exhibited in the other nonmanufacturing industries, Retail Trade employment fell by 500 jobs, lagging behind last year's robust gains when consumer demand and sales were much stronger. All of the remaining industries in the sector showed higher levels this year than a year ago.

Of the Manufacturing industries, Electrical Equipment showed the largest increase over last year's level, with 1,500 new jobs, reflecting the particularly strong showing in communication equipment manufacturing. Printing and Publishing, with 900 additional jobs, and Chemicals with 700 jobs, accounted for the bulk of new jobs added within the Manufacturing sector over-the-year. The strength within these industries was partially offset by a sizable decline of 1,500 jobs in Machinery, which recently suffered a major lay-off in the Area in farm equipment production, and minor losses in Stone, Clay and Glass and Transportation Equipment.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 38,100 in March 1985, for 5.1 per cent of the labor force, compared to 42,400 in February 1985 for 5.8 per cent of the labor force and 44,300 in March 1984 for 6.1 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

Led by continued strength in employment within the Service producing sector and Construction contracting, the Area's unemployment rate in April 1985 is expected to fall another three tenths of a percentage point from the revised March rate. Retail Trade employment is also expected to emerge from its recent slump with stronger increases. The Manufacturing sector is expected to show little over-all change. The unemployment rate is expected to be 4.8 per cent of the labor force in April 1985, compared to 5.1 per cent in March 1985 and 5.8 per cent in April 1984.

The Area's labor market will continue to improve in May 1985 fueled by the resumption of production of a major Area manufacturing operation, which will add vigor to a somewhat lagging Manufacturing sector. Healthly increases will continue in seasonally related Construction, Services and Retail Trade industries. Students and other summer workers entering the labor force and slow the rate of decline in the unemployment rate. Unemployment is expected to be 4.6 per cent of the labor force in May 1985, compared to 4.8 per cent in April 1985 and 5.4 per cent in May 1984.

Kansas City Area-Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 34,198 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of March 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	17.2
	22-44	68.0
	45 and over	14.8
Sex:	Male	62.3
	Female	37.7
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	31.2
	Other Non-White	01.1
	Hispanic	02.0

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	46.5
Veterans	21.7
Handicapped	02.3

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated March 31, 1985.

JOB PLACEMENTS:

During March 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,970 and job placements totaled 1,925. There were 1,637 veteran referrals in March 1985, with 303 veteran placements. During February 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,233 and job placements totaled 2,247. There were 1,450 veteran referrals in February 1985, with 319 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated March 31, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)

March 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.7	17.4	16.3
25-34	36.2	34.1	35.5
35-44	22.7	22.1	22.5
45-54	14.3	15.1	14.6
55-64	10.3	09.0	09.8
65 and over	00.7	02.2	01.2
Unreported	00.1	00.1	00.1

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	00.7
Mining	00.2
Construction	16.2
Manufacturing	21.2
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	06.0
Wholesale & Retail Trade	22.1
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	02.6
Services	24.1
All Other	06.7
Information not available	00.2

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	09.5
Clerical	14.6
Sales	04.1
Services	12.7
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	01.3
Processing	01.9
Machine Trades	06.4
Bench Work	05.9
Structural Work	12.9
Miscellaneous	16.4
Information not available	14.3

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 8,818; 5,783 were male and 3,035 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current: March, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	667,000	661,700	656,900	-5,300	+10,100
Total Manufacturing	120,000	119,500	118,000	+1,100	+2,600
Durable Goods	67,800	66,700	67,500	+1,100	+300
Lumber & Furniture	3,500	3,300	3,300	+200	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,500	3,400	3,600	+100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	4,000	4,000	3,900	+100	+100
Fabricated Metal Products	9,500	9,400	9,300	+100	+200
Machinery Except Electrical	7,200	7,100	8,700	+100	-1,500
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,400	21,000	19,900	+400	+1,500
Transportation Equipment	14,900	14,800	15,100	+100	-200
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,700)	(14,600)	(14,900)	(+100)	(-200)
Other Durable Goods	3,800	3,700	3,700	+100	+100
Nondurable Goods	52,800	52,800	50,500	0	+2,300
Food & Kindred Products	10,000	10,000	9,900	0	+100
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,800	2,700	2,600	+100	+200
Paper & Allied Products	5,400	5,500	5,400	-100	0
Printing & Publishing	20,100	20,000	19,200	+100	+900
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,800	8,100	0	+700
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,200	4,700	-100	+400
Total Nonmanufacturing	546,400	542,200	538,900	+4,200	+7,500
Mining & Quarrying	700	600	600	+100	+100
Construction	26,300	24,700	23,800	+1,600	+2,500
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	51,500	51,600	51,100	-100	+400
Wholesale & Retail Trade	167,400	167,300	167,600	+100	-200
Wholesale Trade	(52,500)	(52,500)	(52,200)	(0)	(+300)
Retail Trade	(114,900)	(114,800)	(115,400)	(+100)	(-500)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	49,600	49,500	48,400	+100	+1,200
Services	146,600	144,900	144,500	+1,700	+2,100
Government	104,300	103,600	102,900	+700	+1,400
Federal Government	(29,600)	(28,800)	(28,400)	(+800)	(+1,200)
State & Local Government	(74,700)	(74,800)	(74,500)	(-100)	(+200)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	100	0	0

Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missour-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: March, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$452.86	$446.04	$420.62	41.7	41.3	40.6	$10.86	$10.80	$10.36
Durable Goods	498.03	485.47	450.84	42.3	41.6	40.8	11.75	11.67	11.05
Lumber & Furniture	297.20	299.41	319.71	40.0	39.5	41.2	7.43	7.58	7.76
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	482.00	500.61	475.10	40.2	37.0	40.4	11.99	13.53	11.76
Primary Metal Industries	484.62	482.98	471.65	41.0	41.0	40.8	11.82	11.78	11.56
Fabricated Metal Products	372.25	364.80	357.63	40.2	40.0	39.3	9.26	9.12	9.10
Fabricated Metal Products	404.15	415.31	418.31	39.7	40.4	39.5	10.18	10.28	10.59
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	483.79	487.89	434.51	42.7	42.7	41.9	11.33	11.32	10.37
Transportation Equipment	695.39	639.54	576.97	45.9	43.3	41.3	15.15	14.77	13.97
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(700.12)	(644.06)	(581.67)	(46.0)	(43.4)	(41.4)	(15.22)	(14.84)	(14.05)
Other Durable Goods	249.38	254.55	242.06	37.0	37.6	38.3	6.74	6.77	6.32
Nondurable Goods	382.82	381.48	368.83	40.9	40.8	40.2	9.36	9.35	9.17
Food & Kindred Products	404.62	418.03	392.54	41.8	42.7	42.9	9.68	9.79	9.15
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	206.83	201.28	190.81	37.0	37.0	35.4	5.59	5.44	5.39
Paper & Allied Products	378.84	382.12	361.42	41.0	41.4	40.7	9.24	9.23	8.88
Printing & Publishing	396.00	383.25	394.63	38.9	37.5	38.5	10.18	10.22	10.25
Chemicals & Allied Products	481.55	490.39	445.32	43.5	44.5	40.3	11.07	11.02	11.05
Petroleum & Coal Products	373.98	279.82	371.05	37.7	38.6	41.0	9.92	9.84	9.05
Other Nondurable Goods	299.48	283.03	298.16	42.6	41.5	41.7	7.03	6.82	7.15

* This series ecludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

March, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate declined from 8.8% in February to 7.6% in March. The number of area residents unemployed in March was 88,700, a decline of 13,300 from February. Total employment increased 19,600 over the month to stand at 1,077,000. Mild end of winter weather in the area caused significant employment gains in construction, trade and services. Agricultural and self-employed workers also registered improvement. The manufacturing sector showed little movement over the month, a trend that has now continued for the past 9 months. Over the year, unemployment rate in March, 1984 was 9.3%. The industry which has registered the greatest job growth is trade, which added 11,100 workers. The restaurant and bar sector of trade was responsible for 5,600 of this increase. The sector employed 64,100 workers, a record high level for March, and continued growth is expected through at least the first half of 1985. There was less than 50 labor disputants in March. February 1985 and March 1984 had 100 disputants each.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment increased 300 over the month. Motor vehicles, which added 300 workers, continued to be affected by a temporary model change-over layoff. This layoff is expected to continue only through April. Five industries, such as fabricated metals and printing, added 100 workers each. Leather and other nondurables continued to be affected by reduced demand, each losing 100 workers. Over the year, manufacturing declined by 400. This decrease was due to the temporary auto industry layoff and the continuing declines in nondurable goods. The leather industry registered 1000 fewer employees in March 1985 as compared to March 1984, a decrease of over 17%. The primary metals industry, which experienced some job gains during the early stages of the economic recovery, is again registering employment declines. Three durable goods industries that have shown significant improvement over the year are aircraft (+1400), nonelectrical machinery (+700), and electrical equipment (+700).

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment increased 10,200 since February. Mild March weather caused employment gains in construction, trade, and services. These three industries, combined, added 8800 workers over the month. Small seasonal gains occurred in mining, transportation, and real estate. Small seasonal gains occurred in mining, transportation, and real estate. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 25,700 workers. Significant gains occurred in trade, (+11,100), services (+5800), and construction (+4400). Finance, insurance and real estate along with government each added 2000 employees.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were down 5900 in March, 1985 from February, 1985. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were down 4400 and in the Illinois portion they were down 1500.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Dec.	Jan. '85	Feb.	Mar.
INA	0	1	2	2
Agriculture	37	71	147	91
Mining	36	34	31	34
Constructin	1269	2316	4361	2792
Manufacturing Total	3484	3309	4652	5376
Food	562	368	423	439
Textile	21	24	27	19
Apparel	132	206	170	138
Lumber	47	55	41	45
Furniture	82	62	57	78
Paper	87	79	79	125
Printing	162	133	172	171
Chemicals	163	135	139	139
Petroleum	25	14	18	15
Rubber	132	112	140	211
Leather	163	185	257	293
Stone	48	66	105	99
Primary Metal	212	195	221	228
Fabricated Metal	466	445	483	551
Machinery	112	113	115	147
Electrtical Machinery	242	249	172	239
Transportation Equip.	334	370	1384	1714
Instruments	20	15	32	39
Miscellaneous	470	480	613	683
Public Utilities	692	769	873	921
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	1937	1832	2302	2683
Finance	259	252	237	289
Services	5380	5148	5764	6045
All Other	387	247	236	226
TOTAL	13381	13979	18605	18459

Of the 18,459 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in March, 1985, 66.0 percent were male and 34.0 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Dec.	Jan. '85	Feb.	Mar.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1529	1396	1472	1672
Clerical	2051	1920	2046	2302
Sales	589	507	621	670
Farm, Fish & Forest	133	195	331	254
Processing	276	296	304	323
Machine Trades	1083	1115	1215	1344
Bench Work	774	710	767	891
Structural Work	1311	1723	2470	2328
Misc. Work	1816	1840	2223	2326
Domestic	63	51	46	43
Other Services	2217	2032	2415	2605
INA	1529	2194	4695	3701
TOTAL	13381	13979	18605	18459

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	44.9	14.3	21.7	39.3	2.1
Placements, %	43.3	13.9	36.6	37.1	2.1

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	5.3	1.8
Clerical	18.4	15.6
Sales	15.5	18.9
Processing	1.1	1.4
Machine Trades	4.7	4.5
Bench Work	3.7	4.3
Structural Work	7.2	7.2
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.7	3.6
Packaging & Material Handling	9.6	13.6
Domestic	1.1	1.0
Other Services	28.5	27.1
Other Occupations	1.2	1.0

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in April, 1985 is expected to be 7.1% and in May, 7.2%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current: March, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,044,400	1,033,900	1,019,100	+10,500	+25,300
Percent Change				-(1.0)	+(2.5)
Manufacturing	225,100	224,800	225,500	+300	-400
Durable Goods	141,700	141,300	140,400	+400	+1,300
Lumber & Furniture	5,000	5,000	4,700	0	+300
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,200	3,200	3,400	0	-200
Primary Metal Industries	14,800	14,900	15,300	-100	-500
Fabricated Metal Products	17,500	17,400	17,600	+100	-100
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,900	18,800	18,200	+100	+700
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,100	15,200	14,400	-100	+700
Transportation Equipment	54,000	53,600	53,600	+400	+400
Motor Vehicles	17,200	16,900	17,800	+300	-600
Aircraft & Parts	36,000	35,900	34,600	+100	+1,400
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,200	13,200	13,200	0	0
Nondurable Goods	83,400	83,500	85,100	-100	-1,700
Food & Kindred Products	21,200	21,300	21,400	-100	-300
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,500	8,500	8,400	0	+100
Textiles & Apparel	6,800	6,700	7,000	+100	-200
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,800	5,900	-100	-200
Printing & Publishing	16,600	16,500	16,400	+100	+200
Chemical & Allied Products	20,700	20,600	20,500	+100	+200
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,800	4,900	5,800	-100	-1,000
Other Nondurable Goods	5,200	5,300	5,700	-100	-500
Nonmanufacturing	819,300	809,100	793,600	+10,200	+25,700
Mining	3,500	3,400	3,400	+100	+100
Construction	46,400	42,600	42,000	+3,800	+4,400
Transportation & Public Utilities	73,300	73,000	73,000	+300	+300
Railroads	7,300	7,300	7,400	0	-100
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,700	38,400	38,800	+300	-100
Communications & Public Utilities	27,300	27,300	26,800	0	+500
Wholesale & Retail Trade	246,600	245,100	235,500	+1,500	+11,100
Wholesale Trade	64,800	65,000	64,100	-200	+700
Retail Trade	181,800	180,100	171,400	-1,700	+10,400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	62,700	62,600	60,700	+100	+2,000
Service, Except Domestic	247,900	244,400	242,100	+3,500	+5,800
Total Government	138,900	138,000	136,900	+900	+2,000
Total Federal Government	37,700	37,500	36,900	+200	+800
Total State & Local Government	101,200	100,500	100,000	+700	+1,200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	100	100	-100	-100

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: March, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$440.19	$431.34	$435.97	40.2	39.0	41.6	$10.95	$11.06	$10.48
Durable Goods	460.63	447.33	459.65	40.8	39.0	42.6	11.29	11.47	10.79
Lumber & Furniture	329.16	340.70	321.20	39.0	40.9	40.2	8.44	8.33	7.99
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	378.30	355.82	355.05	36.8	35.3	35.9	10.28	10.08	9.89
Primary Metal Industries	455.51	460.20	457.78	38.8	39.0	40.8	11.74	11.80	11.22
Fabricated Metal Products	420.66	411.20	419.67	41.0	40.0	41.8	10.26	10.28	10.04
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	450.46	448.51	434.16	41.1	40.7	40.2	10.96	11.02	10.80
Elect & Electronic Equip.	326.00	317.81	317.20	40.0	38.9	40.0	8.15	8.17	7.93
Transportation Equipment	592.63	555.81	596.10	43.1	38.2	46.9	13.75	14.55	12.71
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	288.75	292.13	282.30	37.5	37.5	40.1	7.70	7.79	7.04
Nondurable Goods	403.90	402.23	394.82	39.1	38.9	39.8	10.33	10.34	9.92
Food & Kindred Products	485.56	489.17	489.65	39.8	39.9	40.4	12.20	12.26	12.12
Textiles & Apparel	201.00	199.08	203.66	34.3	33.8	37.3	5.86	5.89	5.46
Paper & Paper Products	421.34	403.51	382.22	41.8	40.8	41.5	10.08	9.89	9.21
Printing & Publishing	389.88	387.45	395.26	38.0	37.8	38.6	10.26	10.25	10.24
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	464.30	462.98	456.22	40.8	40.4	42.4	11.38	11.46	10.76
Petroleum & Coal Products	643.70	642.66	629.84	43.7	43.6	43.8	14.73	14.74	14.38
Leather & Leather Products	187.25	192.25	179.52	35.0	35.8	34.0	5.35	5.37	5.28
Other Nondurable Goods	307.33	307.70	392.60	39.2	38.9	38.5	7.84	7.91	7.60

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

March, 1985

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force rose 1,100 from February to reach 116,500 in March. The area unemployment rate fell seven-tenths of a percentage point, dropping from 6.0 percent to 5.3 percent. The number of unemployed persons dropped 800 from February to 6,100 in March. This sizeable decline mostly results from seasonal changes.

During March 1984, there were 7,500 persons unemployed and the rate of unemployment stood at 6.5 percent.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Seasonal influences pushed payrolled employment up 500 from February to 94,600 in March.

Manufacturing employment, estimated at 19,200 for March, was down 100 from February. This drop results from a 200 loss in durable goods manufacturing jobs and an increase of 100 in the number of employees with jobs in the nondurable manufacturing segment.

Nonmanufacturing jobs rose 600 from February to 75,400 in March. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels from February include: Trade, up 200; Services, up 300; and government up 100.

Since one year ago, payrolled employment shows an increase of 600. This is the net result of a 200 reduction in manufacturing jobs and a gain of 600 jobs in the nonmanufacturing sector.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers increased from $8.37 in February to $8.49 in March. Most of the jump was fostered by more overtime worked at premium pay.

During March 1984, hourly wages averaged $8.23 and the average factory work week came to 40.2 hours.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current: March, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	94,600	94,100	94,000	+500	+600
Manufacturing	19,200	19,300	19,400	-100	-200
Durable Goods	10,100	10,300	10,200	-200	-100
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	900	0	0
Other Durable Goods	9,200	9,400	9,300	-200	-100
Nondurable Goods	9,100	9,000	9,200	+100	-100
Food Processing	3,800	3,800	3,900	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,700	3,600	3,700	+100	0
Nonmanufacturing	75,400	74,800	74,600	+600	+800
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,200	3,200	3,000	0	+200
Transportation & Utilities	6,000	6,000	6,000	0	0
Trade	25,700	25,500	25,500	+200	+200
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,300	0	+100
Services	22,900	22,600	23,000	+300	-100
Government	13,100	13,300	12,700	+100	+400
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,400	11,300	11,000	+100	+400
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment is expected to show a slight increase during April. Anticipated job increases in nonmanufacturing industries should more than off-set a possible small reduction in manufacturing jobs.

The rate of unemployment will continue on the seasonal down trend established in February. A drop of three-tenths of a percentage point in the rate of unemployment in April appears likely at this time.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: March, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$337.90	$323.92	$330.85	39.8	38.7	40.2	$8.49	$8.37	$8.23
Durable Goods	330.86	317.00	321.58	40.3	38.8	40.4	8.21	8.17	7.96
Nondurable Goods	347.10	334.18	345.60	39.0	38.5	40.0	8.90	8.68	8.64
Food & Kindred Products	387.57	372.50	385.05	41.1	40.8	42.5	9.43	9.13	9.06
Other Nondurable Goods	326.80	315.28	323.85	38.0	37.4	38.6	8.60	8.43	8.39

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Missouri Labor Market Review

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Data Month: April, 1985

Missouri employment continued to climb in April, and unemployment fell sharply for the second straight month. Improving seasonal conditions were primarily responsible for bringing the state's unemployment rate down to 6.8 percent.

About 163,900 Missourians were jobless in April, 13,000 fewer than in March. The rate dropped six-tenths of a point from March and is now 1.6 percentage points below the February rate.

Total employment increased by 46,900 between March and April to 2,258,600, a new high level for the state. Although most of the increase of 110,000 that has taken place since January is the result of the usual spring improvement, there does appear to have been some increase in employment in excess of the seasonal. The trend in total employment has been upward since the latter part of last year, following several months which employment seemed to be on a plateau. About 55,100 more Missourians are employed now than a year ago.

Nonfarm payroll employment has grown more slowly than total employment, as manufacturing employment has proved somewhat of a drag on the growth of wage and salary employment in the state. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment grew by 20,800 jobs in April, all but 500 of which came from the nonmanufacturing industries, especially retail trade, services, and construction. There has been little underlying movement in manufacturing employment in the past year, while the nonmanufacturing industries have grown by 28,000 jobs, mostly in state and local government, services, and retail trade.

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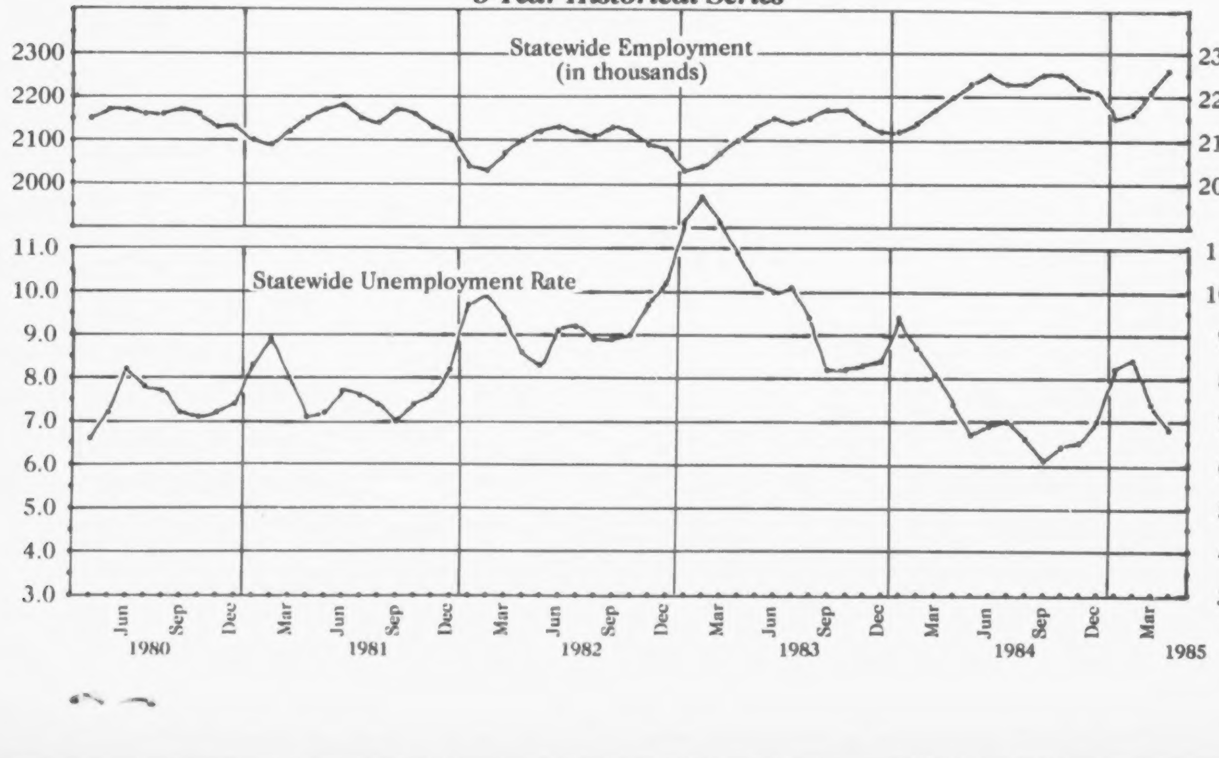

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MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - APR 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - MAR 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - APR 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2422464	2258555	163909	6.8	2388631	2211703	176928	7.4	2380541	2203495	177046	7.4
ST. LOUIS MSA	1183700	1091800	91900	7.8	1169553	1079951	89602	7.7	1161938	1063196	98742	8.5
KANSAS CITY MSA	750423	715501	34922	4.7	743157	704669	38488	5.2	734280	691837	42443	5.8
SPRINGFIELD MSA	118175	111971	6204	5.2	117614	111457	6157	5.2	118121	111876	6245	5.3
COLUMBIA MSA	60805	58465	2340	3.8	60229	57488	2741	4.6	58866	56475	2391	4.1
JOPLIN MSA	59916	56048	3868	6.5	60193	56121	4072	6.8	58305	54309	3996	6.9
ST. JOSEPH MSA	41792	38928	2864	6.9	42148	38874	3274	7.8	43253	39721	3532	8.2
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16368	15346	1022	6.2	16225	15043	1182	7.3	16814	15555	1259	7.5
ANDREW	6462	6156	306	4.7	6258	5867	391	6.2	6363	5861	502	7.9
ATCHISON	4160	3944	216	5.2	4071	3773	298	7.3	4474	3946	528	11.8
AUDRAIN	11230	9965	1265	11.3	11059	9795	1264	11.4	11085	10263	822	7.4
BARRY	12040	11217	823	6.8	11894	11052	842	7.1	11207	10471	736	6.6
BARTON	5093	4895	198	3.9	4934	4710	224	4.5	5079	4869	210	4.1
BATES	7751	7258	493	6.4	7483	6977	506	6.8	7599	7081	518	6.8
BENTON	5511	5162	349	6.3	5361	4847	514	9.6	5242	4736	506	9.7
BOLLINGER	3266	2771	495	15.2	3317	2730	587	17.7	3188	2584	604	18.9
BUTLER	16961	15167	1794	10.6	16521	14452	2069	12.5	16377	14504	1873	11.4
CALDWELL	3672	3462	210	5.7	3577	3330	247	6.9	3673	3410	263	7.2
CALLAWAY	18635	17291	1344	7.2	18190	16782	1408	7.7	20344	19031	1313	6.5
CAMDEN	14225	13400	825	5.8	13041	11981	1060	8.1	12468	11563	905	7.3
CAPE GIRARDEAU	32834	31197	1637	5.0	32481	30681	1800	5.5	30940	29158	1782	5.8
CARROLL	4557	4255	302	6.6	4555	4166	389	8.5	4666	4227	439	9.4
CARTER	2857	2551	306	10.7	2768	2415	353	12.8	2965	2666	299	10.1
CEDAR	4510	4070	440	9.8	4335	3931	404	9.3	4517	4147	370	8.2
CHARITON	4940	4667	273	5.5	4795	4406	389	8.1	4905	4613	292	6.0
CLARK	3370	2994	376	11.2	3269	2835	434	13.3	3235	2903	332	10.3
CLINTON	7716	7256	460	6.0	7541	7010	531	7.0	7486	7009	477	6.4
COLE/OSAGE LMA	38027	35793	2234	5.9	37686	35344	2342	6.2	36369	33957	2412	6.6
COOPER	7183	6674	509	7.1	6962	6388	574	8.2	6846	6359	487	7.1
CRAWFORD	7612	6873	739	9.7	7687	6729	958	12.5	7564	6862	702	9.3
DADE	3762	3592	170	4.5	3697	3539	158	4.3	3806	3641	165	4.3
DALLAS	4930	4528	402	8.2	4769	4337	432	9.1	4477	4054	423	9.4
DAVIESS	3165	2981	184	5.8	3118	2851	267	8.6	3155	2823	332	10.5
DEKALB	3711	3489	222	6.0	3617	3345	272	7.5	3324	3076	248	7.5
DENT	6360	5766	594	9.3	6075	5463	612	10.1	5977	5346	631	10.6
DOUGLAS	4657	4016	641	13.8	4601	3871	730	15.9	4628	4229	399	8.6
DUNKLIN	13135	11412	1723	13.1	12993	11112	1881	14.5	13193	11571	1622	12.3
GASCONADE	6914	6483	431	6.2	6809	6354	455	6.7	6989	6564	425	6.1
GENTRY	4017	3883	134	3.3	3804	3629	175	4.6	4008	3790	218	5.4
GRUNDY	5355	4956	399	7.5	5294	4973	321	6.1	5159	4717	442	8.6
HARRISON	5219	4961	258	4.9	4911	4609	302	6.1	5051	4662	389	7.7
HENRY	9613	9060	553	5.8	9496	8828	668	7.0	9222	8579	643	7.0
HICKORY	2655	2459	196	7.4	2504	2306	198	7.9	2351	2107	244	10.4
HOLT	3220	3112	108	3.4	3201	2969	232	7.2	3322	3093	229	6.9
HOWARD	4765	4457	308	6.5	4712	4361	351	7.4	4740	4446	294	6.2
HOWELL	13694	12390	1304	9.5	13626	11979	1647	12.1	13357	12115	1242	9.3
IRON	4025	3260	765	19.0	4069	3261	808	19.9	4479	3775	704	15.7
JOHNSON	16765	16176	589	3.5	16462	15832	630	3.8	16339	15623	716	4.4
KNOX	2368	2139	229	9.7	2331	2064	267	11.5	2504	2222	282	11.3
LACLEDE	12032	10912	1120	9.3	11666	10596	1070	9.2	11187	10354	833	7.4
LAWRENCE	12739	11767	972	7.6	12652	11653	999	7.9	12403	11376	1027	8.3

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5687	5215	472	8.3	5678	5147	531	9.4	5504	4919	585	10.6
LINCOLN	10638	9796	842	7.9	10612	9707	905	8.5	10040	9056	984	9.8
LINN	7833	7333	500	6.4	7625	7008	617	8.1	7842	7202	640	8.2
LIVINGSTON	6619	6107	512	7.7	6560	5942	618	9.4	6801	6097	704	10.4
MACON	7421	6878	543	7.3	7252	6647	605	8.3	6956	6406	550	7.9
MADISON	3807	3297	510	13.4	3744	3221	523	14.0	3812	3308	504	13.2
MARIES	3141	2880	261	8.3	3034	2657	377	12.4	2613	2353	260	10.0
MARION/RALLS LMA	17955	16598	1357	7.6	17783	15856	1927	10.8	18175	16374	1801	9.9
MCDONALD	5671	5247	424	7.5	5439	5042	397	7.3	5647	5205	442	7.8
MERCER	1794	1691	103	5.7	1746	1624	122	7.0	1890	1723	167	8.8
MILLER	10798	9748	1050	9.7	10440	9001	1439	13.8	10554	9470	1084	10.3
MISSISSIPPI	6618	5848	770	11.6	6810	5738	1072	15.7	6422	5634	788	12.3
MONITEAU	4803	4385	418	8.7	4740	4226	514	10.8	4869	4398	471	9.7
MONROE	4662	4387	275	5.9	4540	4202	338	7.4	4752	4448	304	6.4
MONTGOMERY	5366	4833	533	9.9	5294	4717	577	10.9	5430	5022	408	7.5
MORGAN	5937	5440	497	8.4	5746	5065	681	11.9	5826	5310	516	8.9
NEW MADRID	11594	10422	1172	10.1	11377	10184	1193	10.5	11264	10196	1068	9.5
NODAWAY	11039	10625	414	3.8	10736	10187	549	5.1	10617	10065	552	5.2
OREGON	3215	2768	447	13.9	3152	2674	478	15.2	3025	2686	339	11.2
OZARK	4385	4040	345	7.9	4198	3768	430	10.2	4143	3797	346	8.4
PEMISCOT	8381	7549	832	9.9	8324	7368	956	11.5	8189	7141	1048	12.8
PERRY	7088	6617	471	6.6	6941	6369	572	8.2	7030	6480	550	7.8
PETTIS	17223	15763	1460	8.5	16799	15368	1431	8.5	16325	15023	1302	8.0
PHELPS	16005	15020	985	6.2	15866	14735	1131	7.1	15643	14545	1098	7.0
PIKE	6790	6012	778	11.5	6726	5818	908	13.5	7120	6303	817	11.5
POLK	9516	8623	893	9.4	9264	8674	590	6.4	8851	8383	468	5.3
PULASKI	9194	8481	713	7.8	9013	8116	897	10.0	8970	8282	688	7.7
PUTNAM	2800	2620	180	6.4	2703	2502	201	7.4	3039	2750	289	9.5
RANDOLPH	11888	11065	823	6.9	11762	10860	902	7.7	11646	10813	833	7.2
REYNOLDS	2212	1803	409	18.5	2137	1679	458	21.4	2501	2078	423	16.9
RIPLEY	3397	2976	421	12.4	3351	2845	506	15.1	3291	2837	454	13.8
SALINE	14218	13603	615	4.3	14038	13311	727	5.2	13819	13096	723	5.2
SCOTLAND	2432	2274	158	6.5	2374	2208	166	7.0	2373	2204	169	7.1
SCOTT	17229	15734	1495	8.7	17139	15449	1690	9.9	17292	15444	1848	10.7
SHANNON	2914	2472	442	15.2	2899	2378	521	18.0	3282	2680	602	18.3
SHELBY	3226	3035	191	5.9	3218	2938	280	8.7	3240	2997	243	7.5
ST. CLAIR	3922	3676	246	6.3	3741	3527	214	5.7	3788	3501	287	7.6
ST. FRANCOIS	19965	18006	1959	9.8	19302	17274	2028	10.5	20244	18085	2159	10.7
STE. GENEVIEVE	5975	5460	515	8.6	6014	5414	600	10.0	5760	5170	590	10.2
STODDARD	12926	11777	1149	8.9	12850	11398	1452	11.3	12641	11186	1455	11.5
STONE	8732	7548	1184	13.6	7146	5773	1373	19.2	7260	6309	951	13.1
SULLIVAN	3403	3173	230	6.8	3332	3068	264	7.9	3566	3232	334	9.4
TANEY	15817	14389	1428	9.0	13615	11409	2206	16.2	13454	12033	1421	10.6
TEXAS	8096	6952	1144	14.1	8126	6867	1259	15.5	8086	7173	913	11.3
VERNON	9610	9096	514	5.3	9567	8997	570	6.0	9688	9103	585	6.0
WARREN	7110	6668	442	6.2	7078	6565	513	7.2	6236	5649	587	9.4
WASHINGTON	4605	3559	1046	22.7	4662	3595	1067	22.9	4621	3687	934	20.2
WAYNE	4413	3849	564	12.8	4314	3658	656	15.2	4390	3697	693	15.8
WEBSTER	8645	7839	806	9.3	8280	7454	826	10.0	7390	6688	702	9.5
WORTH	1139	1084	55	4.8	1123	1039	84	7.5	1123	1037	86	7.7
WRIGHT	7362	6499	863	11.7	7229	6350	879	12.2	7581	6840	741	9.8

Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
April, 1985

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2041.0	2020.2	2011.7									
Total Manufacturing	432.3	431.8	431.2	382.00	382.55	380.59	40.0	40.1	42.5	9.55	9.54	9.26
Durable Goods	248.8	248.3	245.9	423.54	425.38	427.55	41.2	41.5	42.5	10.28	10.25	10.06
Lumber & Wood Products	10.7	10.7	10.3	235.68	229.22	229.49	38.7	37.7	38.7	6.09	6.08	5.93
Furniture & Fixtures	11.3	11.2	10.7	296.38	302.46	286.50	42.1	42.6	39.3	7.04	7.10	7.29
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.6	10.3	11.2	435.93	436.38	439.81	42.2	42.0	42.7	10.33	10.39	10.30
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	538.10	536.35	748.68	39.8	39.7	47.9	13.52	13.51	15.63
Structural Clay Prod.	2.1	2.2	2.4	461.64	449.69	441.28	39.9	38.7	39.4	11.57	11.62	11.20
Primary Metal Industries	13.5	13.7	13.9	440.19	446.31	462.79	40.2	40.5	41.1	10.95	11.02	11.26
Iron & Steel Foundries	2.0	2.0	2.0	341.05	358.50	364.63	38.8	40.6	42.3	8.79	8.83	8.62
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.0	329.85	336.48	349.86	41.7	42.7	42.0	7.91	7.88	8.33
Fabricated Metal Products	28.4	28.4	27.9	386.22	384.48	395.96	40.4	40.6	41.9	9.56	9.47	9.45
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	10.8	10.8	10.3	366.62	370.98	385.93	40.2	40.5	41.1	9.12	9.16	9.39
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.7	31.5	32.4	392.63	395.20	396.73	39.7	40.7	40.4	9.89	9.71	9.82
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.6	51.7	49.5	381.71	381.20	364.37	41.0	41.3	41.5	9.31	9.23	8.78
Transportation Equipment	72.3	72.2	71.2	592.65	595.79	592.41	43.9	44.1	46.5	13.50	13.51	12.74
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	32.8	32.9	33.4	624.72	627.46	633.18	45.5	45.8	49.7	13.73	13.70	12.74
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.9	11.8	11.8	275.09	288.23	318.72	38.8	40.2	41.5	7.09	7.17	7.68
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	6.9	6.8	6.9	233.77	239.73	266.40	35.8	36.6	40.0	6.53	6.55	6.66
Nondurable Goods	183.5	183.4	185.3	327.55	325.46	323.90	38.4	38.2	39.5	8.53	8.52	8.20
Food & Kindred Products	44.3	44.5	44.4	380.69	374.75	393.30	40.2	39.2	42.2	9.47	9.56	9.32
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	11.8	11.9	11.4	260.83	252.79	270.51	39.4	37.9	42.4	6.62	6.67	6.38
Dairy Products	6.2	6.2	6.3	390.27	393.34	424.57	42.1	41.8	45.8	9.27	9.41	9.27
Grain Mill Products	7.0	7.1	7.2	417.59	400.36	419.58	40.9	39.6	42.0	10.21	10.21	9.99
Bakery Products	5.1	5.2	5.4	365.04	372.13	370.97	36.0	37.4	37.7	10.14	9.95	9.84
Beverages	10.1	10.0	9.8	595.95	590.73	592.02	41.1	40.6	41.4	14.50	14.55	14.30

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	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	4.0	4.0	4.3	398.13	392.19	412.55	41.3	38.3	42.4	9.64	10.24	9.73
Textile & Apparel	24.9	25.1	26.8	189.26	193.48	190.81	34.6	35.5	35.8	5.47	5.45	5.33
Paper & Allied Products	13.5	13.4	13.2	375.96	375.36	363.45	40.6	40.8	40.7	9.26	9.20	8.93
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.7	6.6	6.6	394.78	400.37	368.42	41.6	42.1	40.8	9.49	9.51	9.03
Printing & Publishing	40.1	40.2	39.1	362.60	369.68	362.70	37.0	37.8	37.9	9.80	9.78	9.57
Commercial Printing	12.7	12.8	12.3	425.62	438.75	425.42	39.3	40.7	39.5	10.83	10.78	10.77
Chemicals & Allied	29.7	29.5	28.4	451.26	448.13	434.66	41.4	41.0	42.2	10.90	10.93	10.30
Leather & Leather Products	17.9	17.6	20.0	186.94	181.15	197.47	34.3	33.3	36.5	5.45	5.44	5.41
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.5	14.1	15.7	180.20	176.09	192.42	34.0	33.1	35.9	5.30	5.32	5.36
Total Nonmanufacturing	1608.7	1588.4	1580.5									
Mining	6.3	6.1	5.8									
Construction	79.3	75.1	79.2									
Transportation & Public Util.	133.9	133.7	133.8									
Railroad Transportation	12.9	12.9	13.1									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	69.5	69.3	68.8									
Communications	51.6	51.5	51.8									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	482.5	475.7	476.4									
Wholesale Trade	131.1	131.0	130.8									
Retail Trade	351.5	344.7	345.7									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	115.0	113.9	113.8									
Services	444.3	437.8	434.7									
Government	347.4	345.9	336.7									
Federal Government	70.0	70.3	69.1									
State & Local Government	277.4	275.6	267.6									

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Hours and earnings of manufacturing production workers were little changed in April. The factory workweek was down by one-tenth of an hour to an even 40 hours, while average hourly earnings were up by 1 cent to $9.55. Compared to April 1983, the workweek is down by 1.1 hours. This drop has limited the over-the-year gain in average weekly earnings to about 0.4 percent. The current average is $382.00.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

National labor market conditions in April were much the same as in March. The seasonally adjusted civilian unemployment rate has been 7.3 percent for the past three months and has shown little change since last Fall. (The not seasonally adjusted rate, which is more nearly comparable to the Missouri rate, was 7.1 percent in April, down from 7.5 percent in March.) Total civilian employment was little changed in April, while nonfarm payroll employment grew by 215,000 jobs, on a seasonally adjusted basis, to 96.7 million. Gains in construction and services accounted for much of the total increase.

Economic growth in the first quarter of 1985 was even slower than originally estimated. Latest revisions of the Gross National Product figures place the growth of the nation's production of goods and services at only a 0.7 percent annual rate in the quarter, down from the earlier estimate of 1.3 percent. Increasing foreign trade problems have been implicated in the sluggish performance, as total spending has apparently remained strong enough to keep employment and unemployment steady.

Outlook

Most analysts believe the economy has picked up steam from its first quarter doldrums. Increased spending resulting from tax refunds and lower interest rates are expected to add to growth in the current quarter. Some further seasonal improvements in employment and unemployment are the norm for Missouri in May, but the magnitude of the improvements should be substantially less than in the previous two months. Other than seasonal changes (which include a large increase in unemployment in June), economic growth should lead to employment growth sufficiently large to absorb growth in the labor force and prevent increases in unemployment.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — April, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,422,500	2,388,600	2,380,500	33,900	42,800
Total Employed	2,258,600	2,211,700	2,203,500	46,900	55,100
Total Unemployed	163,900	176,900	177,300	-13,000	-13,100
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.8	7.4	7.4	-0.6	-0.6
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Comestics (No. of Jobs)	2,041,000	2,020,200	2,011,700	20,800	29,300
Manufacturing	432,300	431,800	431,200	500	1,100
Durable Goods	248,800	248,300	245,900	500	2,900
Nondurable Goods	183,500	183,400	185,300	100	-1,800
Nonmanufacturing	1,608,700	1,588,400	1,580,500	20,300	28,200
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	7,658	7,315	7,165	343	493
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	46,651	56,705	44,968	-10,054	1,683
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.5	3.1	2.6	-0.6	-0.1
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	4,218	4,316	5,159	-98	-941
Amount of Benefits Paid	$17,067,143	$21,256,530	$13,870,387	-$4,189,387	-$3,196,764
State U.I.	16,776,468	20,919,613	13,555,037	-4,143,145	3,221,431
UCFE	133,159	158,562	165,005	-25,403	-31,846
UCX	157,516	178,355	150,337	-20,839	7,179

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

April, 1985

Franciena King, Analyst

The Area's unemployment rate dropped below the five per cent level for the second time in more than five years. The Area's unemployment rate fell to 4.7 per cent of the labor force in April 1985, a tenth of a percentage point below the previous low point reached in September 1984. Continued reductions in the number of unemployed, coupled with strong gains in seasonal employment, contributed to half of a percentage drop in the unemployment rate. The civilian labor force grew to 750,400, adding 7,200 persons over-the-month and 16,100 more than last year at this time. Similarly, civilian employment showed a gain of 10,800 over-the-month and 23,700 over year ago levels. In addition to gains in Agriculture, Nonagricultural Wage and Salaried Employment registered its strongest gains in Services, Retail Trade and Construction. Together these three sectors accounted for 80 per cent of the monthly gain.

Wage and salaried employment in April 1985 was 673,700, up by 5,600 from the March 1985 total of 668,100. The over-the-month increase in payroll employment was led primarily by seasonal growth in the nonmanufacturing sector. Increased activities in commercial sports and recreational services accounted for the bulk of the increase of 2,600 jobs in Services. Employment gains in eating and drinking establishments contributed to the Retail Trade sector producing 1,000 jobs. Construction continued to show substantial increases with 900 additional jobs. The Government sector showed no change over-the-month as moderate gains of 400 jobs in State and Local Government were completely offset by losses within the Federal sector as temporary tax processors were laid off. Elsewhere in nonmanufacturing, moderate advances were recorded in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate and Wholesale Trade. Overall these movements within nonmanufacturing resulted in a net over-the-month gain of 5,100 jobs.

The Manufacturing sector showed a moderate gain of 500 jobs over-the-month as a result of gains in Durable Goods being partially offset by losses within the Nondurable Goods industries. Machinery, which had sustained substantial losses within the Nondurable Goods industries. Machinery, which had sustained substantial losses over the previous year, showed its first significant gain in 12 months. Led by farm and garden equipment, Machinery recovered 400 new jobs over-the-month. Among the other Durable Goods industries, small increases were posted in Fabricated Metals, Stone, Clay and Glass, Primary Metals and Electrical Equipment. Among the Durable Goods industries only Transportation Equipment posted a moderate loss of 200 jobs. Within the Nondurable Goods sector, most industries were unchanged over-the-month. Minor losses within Apparel, Food and Kindred, Printing and Publishing accounted for the net loss of 300 jobs.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 11,000 from April 1984 to April 1985. Manufacturing increased by 2,700 jobs with 900 jobs added in Durable Goods Manufacturing and 1,800 jobs added in Nondurable Goods Manufacturing. Nonmanufacturing accounted for 75 per cent of the total 12-month gain, with 8,300 jobs added. Compared to last year at this time 12-month gain, with 8,300 jobs added. Compared to last year at this time the Services sector outpaced itself with 3,600 more jobs this year. The Construction industry, which began its steady climb in January 1984, topped its April 1984 level by 2,600 jobs. Unlike the monthly pattern, the major increase over year ago figures occurred in building construction followed by special trades. Nonbuilding construction, which contributed the bulk of the monthly gain, showed lower levels than last year. Other over-the-year increases occurred in Finance, Insurance and Real Estate with 1,100 jobs, State and Local Government with 800 jobs, Federal Government with 500 jobs, Wholesale Trade with 300 jobs and Transportation and Utilities with 400 jobs. The apparent sluggishness in Retail Trade earlier in the year contributed to this year's level falling below the more robust April 1984 level by 1,100 jobs. Notable among the losses were grocery stores, apparel and non-store retailers.

The Manufacturing sector continues to show only moderate advances over the 1984 levels in most industries. Electrical Equipment, encouraged by communication sales, made the largest increase with 1,400 jobs. Other gainers were Printing and Publishing with 700 jobs and Chemicals, primarily plastics and drugs, with 600 jobs. Smaller gains were registered in Fabricated Metals with 300 jobs, Lumber and Furniture with 200 jobs and Stone, Clay and Glass, Food and Kindred and Apparel each with 100 jobs gained over-the-year. Losses were recorded in two industries. Machinery, which in 1984 had made substantial gains over the 1983 levels, fell below the 1984 figures by 1,100 jobs. Minor losses were also posted in Transportation Equipment.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 34,900 in April 1985 for 4.7 per cent of the labor force, compared to 38,500 in March 1985 for 5.2 per cent of the labor force and 42,500 in April 1984 for 5.8 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The Area's May 1985 unemployment rate is expected to fall another two tenths of a percentage point from the revised April rate. Despite modest employment losses anticipated in Government as tax processors are laid off, the overall employment situation is expected to record further increases. Construction, Services and Retail Trade employment are all expected to contribute the bulk of employment increases over-the-month. Manufacturing industries will continue to register little or no change. The unemployment rate is expected to be 4.5 per cent in May 1985, compared to 4.7 per cent in April 1985 and 5.4 per cent in Mary 1984.

The June 1985 unemployment rate will show the first increase of the year. Summer workers, students and school personnel on summer break will swell the civilian labor force and contribute to an increase in the number of jobless workers. Employment will continue to increase in Construction, Services and Trade. The Area's unemployment rate will rise above five per cent. The unemployment rate is expected to be 5.2 per cent of the labor force in June 1985, compared to 4.5 per cent in May 1985 and 5.3 per cent in June 1984.

Kansas City Area-Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 35,319 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of April 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	19.2
	22-44	66.4
	45 and over	14.4
Sex:	Male	60.1
	Female	39.9
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	32.7
	Other Non-White	1.3
	Hispanic	2.1

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	42.9
Veterans	20.0
Handicapped	2.2

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated April 30, 1985.

Job Placements:

During April 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job offices Service in the Kansas City Area totaled 9,071 and job placements totaled 2,430. There were 1,577 veteran referrals in April 1985, with 378 veteran placements. During March 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 8,970 and job placements totaled 1,925. There were 1,637 veteran referrals in March 1985, with 303 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated April 30, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only) April 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.3	17.8	16.3
25-34	37.7	36.2	37.1
35-44	21.7	21.1	21.5
45-54	14.0	13.5	13.8
55-64	10.2	9.5	9.9
65 and over	0.8	2.0	1.2
Unreported	0.3	0.0	0.2

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.2
Mining	0.2
Construction	10.5
Manufacturing	22.3
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	6.3
Wholesale & Retail Trade	21.7
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.8
Services	28.1
All Other	6.9
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	11.7
Clerical	18.6
Sales	5.0
Services	14.0
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.4
Processing	1.8
Machine Trades	5.8
Bench Work	5.8
Structural Work	10.5
Miscellaneous	15.7
Information not available	10.7

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 6,335; 5,783 were male and 2,555 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current: April, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	673,700	668,100	662,700	-5,600	+11,000
Total Manufacturing	121,000	120,700	118,500	+500	+2,700
Durable Goods	68,700	67,900	67,800	+800	+900
Lumber & Furniture	3,500	3,500	3,300	0	+200
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,700	3,600	3,600	+100	+100
Primary Metal Industries	4,100	4,000	4,100	+100	0
Fabricated Metal Products	9,700	9,500	9,400	+200	+300
Machinery Except Electrical	7,600	7,200	8,700	+400	-1,100
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,400	21,300	20,000	+100	+1,400
Transportation Equipment	14,900	15,000	15,000	-100	-100
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,600)	(14,800)	(14,800)	(-200)	(-200)
Other Durable Goods	3,800	3,800	3,700	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	52,500	52,800	50,700	-300	+1,800
Food & Kindred Products	9,900	10,000	9,800	-100	+100
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,700	2,800	2,600	-100	+100
Paper & Allied Products	5,400	5,400	5,400	0	0
Printing & Publishing	20,000	20,100	19,300	-100	+700
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,800	8,200	0	+600
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,100	4,800	0	+300
Total Nonmanufacturing	552,500	547,400	544,200	+5,100	+8,300
Mining & Quarrying	700	700	600	0	+100
Construction	27,300	26,400	24,700	+900	+2,600
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	51,500	51,500	51,100	0	+400
Wholesale & Retail Trade	169,000	167,700	169,800	+1,300	-800
Wholesale Trade	(53,000)	(52,700)	(52,700)	(+300)	(+300)
Retail Trade	(116,000)	(115,000)	(117,100)	(+1,000)	(-1,100)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	49,800	49,500	48,700	+300	+1,100
Services	149,800	147,200	146,200	+2,600	+3,600
Government	104,400	104,400	103,100	0	+1,300
Federal Government	(29,200)	(29,600)	(28,700)	(-400)	(+500)
State & Local Government	(75,200)	(74,800)	(74,400)	(+400)	(+800)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	100	0	0

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missour-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: April, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$445.37	$447.12	$433.65	41.2	41.4	41.3	$10.81	$10.80	$10.50
Durable Goods	482.56	486.55	468.16	41.6	41.8	41.8	11.60	11.64	11.20
Lumber & Furniture	313.40	298.75	329.57	41.4	40.1	41.3	7.57	7.45	7.98
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	477.06	490.85	474.14	39.2	40.6	38.3	12.17	12.09	12.22
Primary Metal Industries	463.91	469.61	476.08	40.2	40.8	40.9	11.54	11.51	11.64
Fabricated Metal Products	376.94	362.31	375.36	40.1	39.0	40.8	9.40	9.29	9.20
Machinery Exc. Electrical	397.15	408.62	405.07	39.4	40.1	38.8	10.08	10.19	10.44
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	474.33	484.77	433.50	42.2	42.9	42.5	11.24	11.30	10.20
Transportation Equipment	659.34	659.18	636.48	44.4	44.3	44.2	14.85	14.88	14.40
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(662.45)	(663.68)	(638.36)	(44.4)	(44.4)	(44.3)	(14.92)	(14.95)	(14.41)
Other Durable Goods	265.08	264.04	249.21	37.6	37.4	39.0	7.05	7.06	6.39
Nondurable Goods	383.67	382.70	375.44	40.6	40.8	40.5	9.45	9.38	9.27
Food & Kindred Products	422.99	411.28	405.92	42.9	42.4	43.0	9.96	9.70	9.44
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	196.67	206.46	195.28	35.5	37.0	35.7	5.54	5.58	5.47
*Paper & Allied Products	369.87	372.13	372.50	39.9	40.1	40.8	9.27	9.28	9.13
Printing & Publishing	389.38	396.78	395.48	38.1	38.9	38.1	10.22	10.20	10.38
Chemicals & Allied Products	487.56	480.31	452.76	43.3	43.0	40.9	11.26	11.17	11.07
Petroleum & Coal Products	398.77	393.96	343.33	39.6	39.2	37.4	10.07	10.05	9.18
Other Nondurable Goods	295.25	300.18	283.34	42.3	42.7	42.3	6.98	7.03	6.71

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

April, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate increased from 7.7% in April. This unexpected increase, coming after the significant unemployment rate improvement in March, keeps the area's rate close to a level it has been hovering at for most of the past 12 months. Although total employment has registered substantial gains during this same period, unemployment has remained stubornly close to the 90,000 level. Unemployment stood at 91,900 in April, an increase of 2300 from March. Total employment added 11,800 workers over the month to stand at 1,091,800, a record high level. Over the year, unemployment declined by 6800 and total employment increased 28,600. The unemployment rate in April, 1984 was 8.5%. Nonmanufacturing continues to be responsible for almost all of the area's job creation during the past year. There were less than 50 labor disputants in April and March and only 100 strikers in April, 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment rose 400 over the month. A seasonal increase of 300 workers occurred in the stone, clay and glass industry as construction activity increased in the metrol area. Primary metals continued to decline, losing 200 employees over the month. Motor vehicles, still affected by a temporary lay-off at a local assembler, remained stable. Industries registering small gains were nonelectrical machinery, electrical equipment, aircraft, food, and chemicals. Over the year, manufacturing has added only 100 workers. Imports and reduced demand continue to affect primary metals (-1100) and leather (-1000). Motor vehicles declined 300 because of the temporary lay-off. Industries registering significant gains were furniture, nonelectrical machinery, electrical equipment, and aircraft. The printing and chemical industries added 300 worker each.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment increased 7700 over the month. Sesaonal gains occurred in construction, retail trade, real estate, and services. Small gains were registered by mining, transportation, and government. Wholesale trade remained stable. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 22,500 workers. Continued strong construction activity and reduced interest rates have combined to cause construction employment to increase by 3000. Wholesale and retail trade added 8400 workers. Most sectors within trade have increased but the strongest growth occurred in department stores and restuarants. The service industry, up 7000, has been helped by increased demand in the business and miscellaneous professional services sectors. Railroads, down 200, is the only nonmanufacturing industry to register a decline.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were down 3600 in April, from March. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were down 2400 and in the Illinois portion they were down 1200.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Jan. '85	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
INA	1	2	2	4
Agriculture	71	147	91	51
Mining	34	31	34	20
Constructin	2316	4361	2792	1633
Manufacturing Total	3309	4652	5376	5590
Food	368	423	439	409
Textile	24	27	19	24
Apparel	206	170	138	223
Lumber	55	41	45	44
Furniture	62	57	78	70
Paper	79	79	125	116
Printing	133	172	172	187
Chemicals	135	139	139	150
Petroleum	14	18	15	18
Rubber	112	140	211	207
Leather	185	257	293	370
Stone	66	105	99	85
Primary Metal	195	221	228	207
Fabricated Metal	445	483	551	563
Machinery	113	115	147	153
Electrtical Machinery	249	172	239	331
Transportation Equip.	370	1384	1714	1696
Instruments	15	32	39	37
Miscellaneous	480	613	683	694
Public Utilities	769	873	921	915
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	1832	2302	2683	2337
Finance	252	237	289	277
Services	5148	5764	6045	5510
All Other	247	236	226	206
TOTAL	13979	18605	18459	16543

Of the 16,543 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in April, 1985, 61.9 percent were male and 38.1 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Jan. '85	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1396	1472	1672	1592
Clerical	1920	2046	2302	2268
Sales	507	621	670	627
Farm, Fish & Forest	195	331	254	146
Processing	296	304	323	308
Machine Trades	1115	1215	1344	1368
Bench Work	710	767	891	941
Structural Work	1723	2470	2328	1841
Misc. Work	1840	2223	2326	2067
Domestic	51	46	43	31
Other Services	2032	2415	2605	2269
INA	2194	4695	3701	3085
TOTAL	13979	18605	18459	16543

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	44.7	14.1	21.7	38.5	2.0
Placements, %	43.3	14.0	35.1	36.9	2.1

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	5.2	1.9
Clerical	18.3	15.2
Sales	15.2	17.5
Processing	1.2	1.4
Machine Trades	4.6	4.3
Bench Work	3.8	4.2
Structural Work	9.6	10.1
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.6	3.4
Packaging & Material Handling	9.5	13.2
Domestic	1.1	1.0
Other Services	26.4	26.5
Other Occupations	1.5	1.3

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in May, 1985 is expected to be 7.6% and in June, 8.0%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area

Month and Year of Current: April, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,053,300	1,045,700	1,031,200	+8,100	+22,600
Percent Change				-(0.8)	+(2.2)
Manufacturing	226,300	225,900	226,200	+400	+100
Durable Goods	142,800	142,500	141,500	+300	+1,300
Lumber & Furniture	5,100	5,100	4,800	0	+300
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,500	3,200	3,600	+300	-100
Primary Metal Industries	14,500	14,700	15,600	-200	-1,100
Fabricated Metal Products	17,500	17,600	17,500	-100	0
Machinery, Except Electrical	19,000	18,900	18,500	+100	+500
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,200	15,100	14,500	+100	+700
Transportation Equipment	54,800	54,700	54,000	+100	+800
Motor Vehicles	17,900	17,900	18,200	0	-300
Aircraft & Parts	36,200	36,100	34,600	+100	+1,600
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,200	13,200	13,000	0	+200
Nondurable Goods	83,500	83,400	84,700	+100	-1,200
Food & Kindred Products	21,300	21,200	21,400	+100	-100
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,500	8,500	8,400	0	+100
Textiles & Apparel	6,800	6,800	6,900	0	-100
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,800	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,600	16,600	16,300	0	+300
Chemical & Allied Products	20,800	20,700	20,500	+100	+300
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,700	4,800	5,700	-100	-1,000
Other Nondurable Goods	5,200	5,200	5,700	0	-500
Nonmanufacturing	827,500	819,800	805,000	+7,700	+22,500
Mining	3,600	3,500	3,300	+100	+300
Construction	48,100	46,700	45,100	+1,400	+3,000
Transportation & Public Utilities	73,400	73,200	73,300	+200	+100
Railroads	7,300	7,300	7,500	0	-200
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,800	38,700	38,800	+100	0
Communications & Public Utilities	27,300	27,200	27,000	+100	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	248,500	246,900	240,100	+1,600	+8,400
Wholesale Trade	65,000	65,000	64,000	0	+1,000
Retail-Trade	183,500	181,900	176,100	-1,600	+7,400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	63,100	62,700	61,700	+400	+1,400
Service, Except Domestic	251,500	247,700	244,500	+3,800	+7,000
Total Government	139,300	139,100	137,000	+200	+2,300
Total Federal Government	37,700	37,700	37,100	0	+600
Total State & Local Government	101,600	101,400	99,900	+200	+1,700
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	100	0	-100

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: St. Louis Metropolitan Area **Month and Year of Current Data: April, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$435.91	$439.79	$443.72	39.7	40.2	41.9	$10.98	$10.94	$10.59
Durable Goods	458.61	461.35	468.04	40.3	40.9	42.9	11.38	11.28	10.91
Lumber & Furniture	330.85	330.00	328.86	39.2	39.1	40.5	8.44	8.44	8.12
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	390.92	388.13	353.05	36.5	37.5	35.2	10.71	10.35	10.04
Primary Metal Industries	457.06	453.16	477.96	38.8	38.6	42.0	11.78	11.74	11.38
Fabricated Metal Products	424.15	424.15	425.88	41.1	41.3	42.0	10.32	10.27	10.14
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	447.23	449.63	443.56	40.4	41.1	41.3	11.07	10.94	10.74
Elect & Electronic Equip.	318.45	326.80	316.80	38.6	40.0	40.0	8.25	8.17	7.92
Transportation Equipment	587.73	591.41	604.76	42.9	43.2	47.1	13.70	13.69	12.84
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	272.21	288.75	277.25	34.5	37.5	38.4	7.89	7.70	7.22
Nondurable Goods	397.45	401.45	401.80	38.7	38.9	40.1	10.27	10.32	10.02
Food & Kindred Products	475.56	480.29	507.58	39.4	39.4	41.0	12.07	12.19	12.38
Textiles & Apparel	198.99	206.96	207.86	33.9	34.9	38.0	5.87	5.93	5.47
Paper & Paper Products	417.49	421.34	419.48	41.5	41.8	41.8	10.06	10.08	9.87
Printing & Publishing	376.38	389.25	387.88	36.9	37.5	38.3	10.20	10.38	10.13
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	470.20	464.22	450.84	41.5	40.9	41.9	11.33	11.35	10.76
Petroleum & Coal Products	607.43	605.15	615.90	43.3	42.2	43.1	14.36	14.34	14.29
Leather & Leather Products	187.06	182.85	190.28	34.9	34.5	36.7	5.36	5.30	5.33
Other Nondurable Goods	308.07	307.33	313.18	38.8	39.2	40.1	7.94	7.84	7.81

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

April, 1985

Lloyd Banwart, Analyst

Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded by 500 from March to reach 118,200 in April. Approximately 6,200 persons were unemployed in April, the same as one month earlier and one year ago. The April rate of unemployment, estimated at 5.2 percent of the labor force, shows no change from March. The April 1984 rate was calculated at 5.3 percent.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment, estimated at 95,500 rose 600 from March. Despite recent reductions in manufacturing jobs, April represents the third consecutive month in which nonagricultural employment recorded an increase over the previous month. This trend is seasonal in nature and reflects normal gains in the nonmanufacturing sector.

Manufacturing employment fell 200 from March to an estimated 19,000 in April. During the first four months of 1985, the are has lost a total of 400 manufacturing jobs. The entire drop occurred in the durable goods manufacturing segment.

Seasonal influences pushed nonmanufacturing jobs up from a total of 75,700 in March to 76,500 in April. During the 30 days, significant employment increases are noted in construction, trade and services..

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose from $8.52 in March to $8.63 in April. The average factory workweek, estimated at 39.7 hours for April, continues to be below that of the corresponding month of 1984. During April 1984, hourly wage averaged $8.30 and average weekly hours worked amounted to 40.4.

Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Overall payrolled employment will inch above the April level during May. Continued activity in construction

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: April, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	95,500	94,900	94,500	+600	+1,000
Manufacturing	19,000	19,200	19,400	-200	-400
Durable Goods	9,900	10,100	10,200	-200	-300
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	900	0	0
Other Durable Goods	9,000	9,200	9,300	-200	-300
Nondurable Goods	9,100	9,100	9,200	0	-100
Food Processing	3,900	3,800	3,800	+100	+100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,600	3,700	3,800	-100	-200
Nonmanufacturing	76,500	75,700	75,100	+800	+1,400
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,500	3,300	3,200	+200	+300
Transportation & Utilities	6,000	6,000	6,200	0	-200
Trade	26,000	25,700	25,600	+300	+400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,300	0	+100
Services	23,400	23,100	23,000	+300	+400
Government	13,100	13,100	12,700	0	+400
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,400	11,400	11,000	0	+400
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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coupled with anticipated gains in industries associated with tourism should provide enough buoyancy to more than offset any reductions in manufacturing jobs.

Very little change in the number of unemployed persons and the rate of unemployment is expected during May. During June, a slight to moderate increase in the rate of unemployment can be expected as students enter the labor force.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: April, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$342.61	$338.30	$335.32	39.7	39.8	40.4	$8.63	$8.52	$8.30
Durable Goods	340.98	331.67	332.77	40.4	40.3	40.6	8.44	8.23	7.95
Nondurable Goods	345.71	347.10	353.68	38.8	39.0	40.1	8.91	8.90	8.82
Food & Kindred Products	373.97	387.57	412.46	39.7	41.1	43.6	9.42	9.43	9.46
Other Nondurable Goods	331.78	326.80	321.64	38.4	38.0	38.2	8.64	8.60	8.42

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MISSOURI AREA LABOR TRENDS

MISSOURI DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS – DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

INCLUDES CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE ESTIMATES FOR AREAS PLUS LABOR MARKET REVIEWS FOR THE STATE,
AND THE ST. LOUIS, KANSAS CITY, AND SPRINGFIELD MSA'S

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Missouri Labor Market Review

Bill Niblack, Labor Economist ***Amy Miller, Analyst*** ***Data Month: May, 1985***

Missouri unemployment dropped further in May, as employment continued to move upward.

The unemployment rate fell by four-tenths of a percantage point from April to 6.4 percent in May, as the number of jobless Missourians dropped by 7100 to 157,800. This drop is primarily seasonal, reflecting the continuing improvement that takes place in the spring months.

Employment has been climbing for several months. Although much of this is seasonal as well, the growth in total employment seems to be greater than the usual seasonal amount. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment, on the other hand, has been held down by the manufacturing industries, where employment has been flat since the end of last summer. As a result, payroll employment has grown only on the strength of the nonmanufacturing industries, and has shown primarilly seasonal changes over the past several months.

Total employment increased by 40,300 in May to 2,298,300, figure which is 71,200 higher than a year ago. Nonfarm payroll employment growth has been much more modest, increasing by 15,700 from the previous month and 28,800 from the year earlier to 2,056,000. Virtually all this growth came from the nonmanufacturing industries, including retail trade and services. Construction showed seasonal improvement from April but has grown little over the past year, while state and local government employment has shown substantial over-the-year growth.

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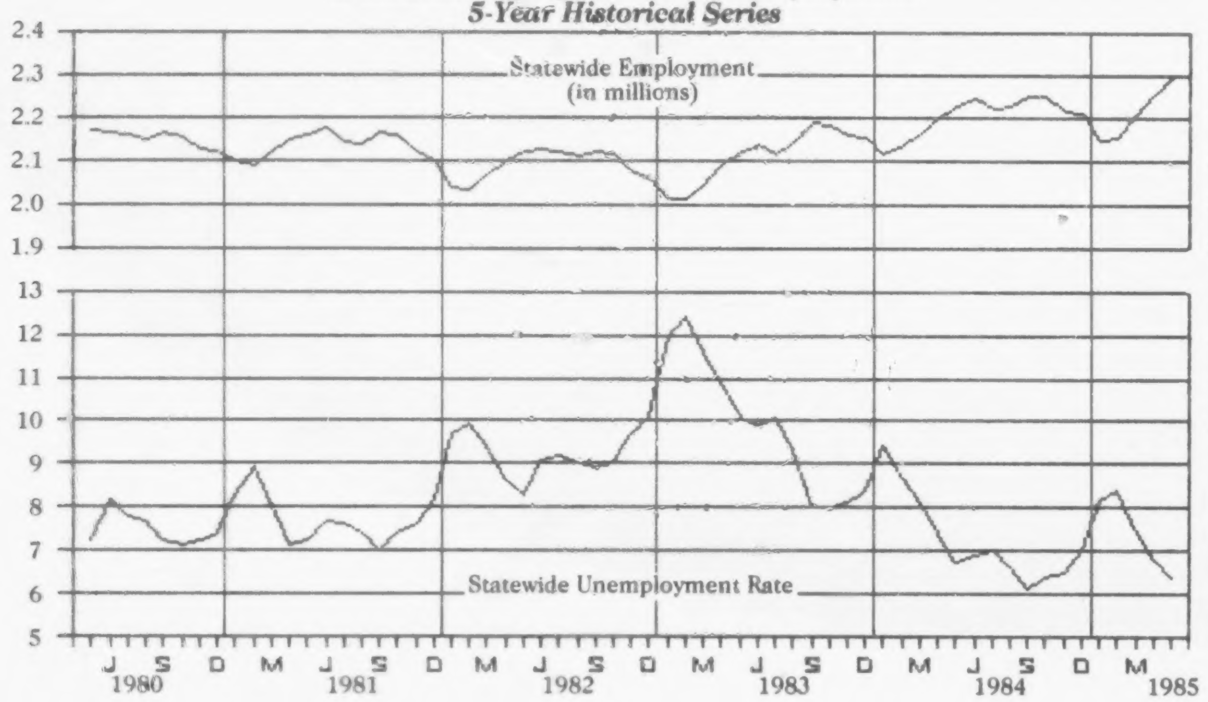

Table 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - MAY 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - APR 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - MAY 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2456114	2298337	157777	6.4	2422830	2257955	164875	6.8	2387097	2227125	159972	6.7
ST. LOUIS MSA	1201259	1107652	93607	7.8	1185286	1092435	92851	7.8	1170881	1079386	91495	7.8
KANSAS CITY MSA	757610	723955	33655	4.4	749985	714781	35204	4.7	726015	687002	39013	5.4
SPRINGFIELD MSA	119332	112660	6672	5.6	117948	111743	6205	5.3	117218	111473	5745	4.9
COLUMBIA MSA	62393	59723	2670	4.3	60796	58437	2359	3.9	59121	57070	2051	3.5
JOPLIN MSA	61123	57124	3999	6.5	59888	55997	3891	6.5	58811	54778	4033	6.9
ST. JOSEPH MSA	42385	39507	2878	6.8	42174	39292	2882	6.8	42592	39401	3191	7.5
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16367	15480	887	5.4	16360	15339	1021	6.2	16798	15728	1070	6.4
ANDREW	6643	6341	302	4.5	6464	6153	311	4.8	6401	6019	382	6.0
ATCHISON	4291	4087	204	4.8	4162	3942	220	5.3	4580	4144	436	9.5
AUDRAIN	11201	10075	1126	10.1	11228	9960	1268	11.3	11221	10427	794	7.1
BARRY	12260	11528	732	6.0	12044	11212	832	6.9	11397	10769	628	5.5
BARTON	5144	4962	182	3.5	5089	4892	197	3.9	5133	4936	197	3.8
BATES	7896	7412	484	6.1	7753	7254	499	6.4	7581	7113	468	6.2
BENTON	5826	5503	323	5.5	5512	5159	353	6.4	5249	4880	369	7.0
BOLLINGER	3198	2786	412	12.9	3259	2770	489	15.0	3158	2705	453	14.3
BUTLER	16936	15336	1600	9.4	16755	14955	1800	10.7	16483	14682	1801	10.9
CALDWELL	3783	3596	187	4.9	3673	3460	213	5.8	3698	3492	206	5.6
CALLAWAY	18929	17721	1208	6.4	18623	17283	1340	7.2	19924	18645	1279	6.4
CAMDEN	15220	14516	704	4.6	14231	13394	837	5.9	13427	12746	681	5.1
CAPE GIRARDEAU	33117	31579	1538	4.6	32827	31182	1645	5.0	31175	29426	1749	5.6
CARROLL	4616	4340	276	6.0	4557	4253	304	6.7	4700	4357	343	7.3
CARTER	2907	2631	276	9.5	2862	2550	312	10.9	2907	2679	228	7.8
CEDAR	4520	4138	382	8.5	4512	4068	444	9.8	4543	4241	302	6.6
CHARITON	5151	4875	276	5.4	4941	4665	276	5.6	4972	4710	262	5.3
CLARK	3434	3134	300	8.7	3368	2992	376	11.2	3267	2979	288	8.8
CLINTON	7656	7261	395	5.2	7715	7252	463	6.0	7457	7097	360	4.8
COLE/OSAGE LMA	38086	36078	2008	5.3	38006	35776	2230	5.9	36590	34424	2166	5.9
COOPER	7200	6751	449	6.2	7173	6670	503	7.0	6771	6443	328	4.8
CRAWFORD	7724	7097	627	8.1	7606	6870	736	9.7	7557	6938	619	8.2
DADE	3862	3679	183	4.7	3761	3591	170	4.5	3882	3740	142	3.7
DALLAS	4994	4594	400	8.0	4940	4525	415	8.4	4569	4205	364	8.0
DAVIESS	3319	3155	164	4.9	3167	2980	187	5.9	3153	2932	221	7.0
DEKALB	3795	3605	190	5.0	3716	3488	228	6.1	3334	3164	170	5.1
DENT	6328	5792	536	8.5	6357	5763	594	9.3	5840	5181	659	11.3
DOUGLAS	4805	4230	575	12.0	4657	4014	643	13.8	4703	4327	376	8.0
DUNKLIN	12986	11610	1376	10.6	13136	11407	1729	13.2	13413	11947	1466	10.9
GASCONADE	7000	6597	403	5.8	6912	6480	432	6.3	7145	6805	340	4.8
GENTRY	4128	3997	131	3.2	4015	3881	134	3.3	4145	3920	225	5.4
GRUNDY	5404	5011	393	7.3	5349	4954	395	7.4	5238	4838	400	7.6
HARRISON	5319	5118	201	3.8	5216	4959	257	4.9	5084	4804	280	5.5
HENRY	9795	9299	496	5.1	9608	9056	552	5.7	9353	8840	513	5.5
HICKORY	2835	2650	185	6.5	2657	2458	199	7.5	2380	2202	178	7.5
HOLT	3456	3304	152	4.4	3218	3110	108	3.4	3465	3285	180	5.2
HOWARD	4747	4475	272	5.7	4760	4455	305	6.4	4707	4491	216	4.6
HOWELL	13743	12603	1140	8.3	13696	12384	1312	9.6	13489	12357	1132	8.4
IRON	3938	3285	653	16.6	4087	3322	765	18.7	4520	3978	542	12.0
JOHNSON	16865	16263	602	3.6	16764	16169	595	3.5	16440	15692	748	4.5
KNOX	2404	2233	171	7.1	2366	2138	228	9.6	2497	2276	221	8.9
LACLEDE	12294	11157	1137	9.2	12043	10907	1136	9.4	11228	10395	833	7.4
LAWRENCE	12631	11876	805	6.3	12742	11761	981	7.7	12384	11485	899	7.3

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5894	5428	466	7.9	5680	5212	468	8.2	5598	5078	520	9.3
LINCOLN	10901	10087	814	7.5	10632	9791	841	7.9	10058	9238	820	8.2
LINN	7999	7521	478	6.0	7834	7330	504	6.4	7815	7295	520	6.7
LIVINGSTON	6666	6303	363	5.4	6612	6104	508	7.7	6819	6142	677	9.9
MACON	7497	7050	447	6.0	7413	6874	539	7.3	7099	6624	475	6.7
MADISON	3751	3332	419	11.2	3809	3296	513	13.5	3787	3377	410	10.8
MARIES	3090	2846	244	7.9	3140	2879	261	8.3	2605	2385	220	8.4
MARION/RALLS LMA	18781	17349	1432	7.6	17947	16592	1355	7.6	18396	16830	1566	8.5
MCDONALD	5791	5353	438	7.6	5671	5244	427	7.5	5724	5316	408	7.1
MERCER	1827	1755	72	3.9	1793	1690	103	5.7	1877	1779	98	5.2
MILLER	11489	10581	908	7.9	10803	9743	1060	9.8	10861	10031	830	7.6
MISSISSIPPI	6738	6074	664	9.9	6627	5846	781	11.8	6520	5729	791	12.1
MONITEAU	4823	4486	337	7.0	4803	4383	420	8.7	4852	4427	425	8.8
MONROE	4776	4552	224	4.7	4670	4385	285	6.1	4898	4630	268	5.5
MONTGOMERY	5284	4893	391	7.4	5362	4830	532	9.9	5393	5059	334	6.2
MORGAN	6217	5807	410	6.6	5946	5438	508	8.5	5874	5474	400	6.8
NEW MADRID	11443	10366	1077	9.4	11601	10417	1184	10.2	11444	10398	1046	9.1
NODAWAY	11173	10735	438	3.9	11016	10606	410	3.7	10661	10229	432	4.1
OREGON	3108	2743	365	11.7	3216	2767	449	14.0	3090	2721	369	11.9
OZARK	4423	4163	260	5.9	4378	4038	340	7.8	4242	3950	292	6.9
PEMISCOT	8462	7680	782	9.2	8374	7545	829	9.9	8261	7253	1008	12.2
PERRY	7255	6817	438	6.0	7084	6614	470	6.6	7060	6623	437	6.2
PETTIS	17475	16221	1254	7.2	17307	15838	1469	8.5	16472	15385	1087	6.6
PHELPS	16477	15400	1077	6.5	15997	15012	985	6.2	15624	14549	1075	6.9
PIKE	7163	6442	721	10.1	7000	6214	786	11.2	7226	6499	727	10.1
POLK	9269	8359	910	9.8	9510	8618	892	9.4	8911	8458	453	5.1
PULASKI	9323	8703	620	6.7	9189	8477	712	7.7	9130	8439	691	7.6
PUTNAM	2861	2772	89	3.1	2801	2619	182	6.5	3125	2921	204	6.5
RANDOLPH	12201	11490	711	5.8	11897	11060	837	7.0	11721	10982	739	6.3
REYNOLDS	2242	1856	386	17.2	2214	1802	412	18.6	2515	2124	391	15.5
RIPLEY	3412	3054	358	10.5	3394	2975	419	12.3	3285	2903	382	11.6
SALINE	14530	13875	655	4.5	14214	13596	618	4.3	13956	13306	650	4.7
SCOTLAND	2526	2383	143	5.7	2436	2273	163	6.7	2429	2297	132	5.4
SCOTT	17553	16114	1439	8.2	17232	15726	1506	8.7	17168	15556	1612	9.4
SHANNON	2980	2598	382	12.8	2924	2471	453	15.5	3241	2771	470	14.5
SHELBY	3362	3205	157	4.7	3224	3034	190	5.9	3237	3091	146	4.5
ST. CLAIR	3984	3741	243	6.1	3924	3674	250	6.4	3880	3618	262	6.8
ST. FRANCOIS	20064	18229	1835	9.1	19956	179[illegible]7	1959	9.8	19922	17982	1940	9.7
STE. GENEVIEVE	6163	5726	437	7.1	5979	5457	522	8.7	5721	5188	533	9.3
STODDARD	13067	12011	1056	8.1	12925	11772	1153	8.9	12441	11217	1224	9.8
STONE	9138	8258	880	9.6	8726	7544	1182	13.5	8544	7855	689	8.1
SULLIVAN	3433	3246	187	5.4	3407	3172	235	6.9	3581	3332	249	7.0
TANEY	17523	16381	1142	6.5	15811	14382	1429	9.0	14724	13776	948	6.4
TEXAS	8024	7002	1022	12.7	8100	6949	1151	14.2	8120	7287	833	10.3
VERNON	9864	9471	393	4.0	9602	9091	511	5.3	9676	9184	492	5.1
WARREN	7235	6814	421	5.8	7124	6678	446	6.3	6276	5820	456	7.3
WASHINGTON	4586	3636	950	20.7	4610	3557	1053	22.8	4530	3709	821	18.1
WAYNE	4394	3912	482	11.0	4415	3847	568	12.9	4355	3781	574	13.2
WEBSTER	9105	8185	920	10.1	8644	7836	808	9.3	7637	7059	578	7.6
WORTH	1178	1140	38	3.2	1139	1084	55	4.8	1150	1064	86	7.5
WRIGHT	7351	6563	788	10.7	7354	6496	858	11.7	7573	6875	698	9.2

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
May, 1985

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2056.0	2040.3	2027.2									
Total Manufacturing	433.2	432.2	433.1	382.40	379.85	377.92	40.0	39.9	40.9	9.56	9.52	9.24
Durable Goods	249.2	248.6	247.3	428.26	419.43	427.13	41.1	41.0	42.5	10.42	10.23	10.05
Lumber & Wood Products	10.7	10.7	10.5	243.36	235.90	230.23	39.0	38.8	38.5	6.24	6.08	5.98
Furniture & Fixtures	11.2	11.3	10.6	302.60	296.38	288.00	42.5	42.1	40.0	7.12	7.04	7.20
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.5	10.6	11.3	436.38	435.93	433.72	42.0	42.2	42.9	10.39	10.33	10.11
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	1.0	578.00	538.10	530.49	40.9	39.8	39.8	14.11	13.52	13.43
Structural Clay Prod.	2.1	2.1	2.5	445.06	461.64	458.27	38.6	39.9	41.1	11.53	11.57	11.15
Primary Metal Industries	13.2	13.3	14.1	432.30	435.51	451.36	39.3	39.7	40.7	11.00	10.97	11.09
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.9	2.0	2.0	357.40	341.05	369.67	39.8	38.8	42.2	8.98	8.79	8.76
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.1	311.58	329.85	330.07	40.1	41.7	40.8	7.77	7.91	8.09
Fabricated Metal Products	28.4	28.4	28.2	390.32	386.63	391.98	41.0	40.4	41.7	9.52	9.57	9.40
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	10.9	10.8	10.6	367.84	366.73	374.51	40.6	40.3	41.2	9.06	9.10	9.09
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.7	31.6	32.6	407.77	393.62	401.76	40.9	39.8	40.5	9.97	9.89	9.92
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.6	51.6	49.6	378.01	383.35	360.04	40.3	41.0	41.1	9.38	9.35	8.76
Transportation Equipment	72.9	72.1	71.4	577.19	577.15	599.85	43.3	43.2	46.9	13.33	13.36	12.79
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	33.5	32.8	33.6	601.65	600.29	646.63	44.6	44.4	50.4	13.49	13.52	12.83
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.9	11.9	11.9	281.00	276.19	326.56	39.3	38.9	42.3	7.15	7.10	7.72
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.0	7.0	7.0	236.39	233.42	266.40	36.2	35.8	40.0	6.53	6.52	6.66
Nondurable Goods	184.0	183.6	185.8	322.21	327.94	317.04	38.6	38.4	38.9	8.35	8.54	8.15
Food & Kindred Products	44.5	44.2	44.4	384.06	382.04	385.06	40.3	40.3	41.9	9.53	9.48	9.19
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	11.9	11.8	11.2	249.29	262.94	267.97	37.6	39.6	42.4	6.63	6.64	6.32
Dairy Products	6.2	6.2	6.4	398.47	390.27	409.71	42.8	42.1	46.4	9.31	9.27	8.83
Grain Mill Products	6.9	7.0	7.2	413.28	418.61	401.71	41.0	41.0	40.7	10.08	10.21	9.87
Bakery Products	5.2	5.2	5.5	389.64	365.26	386.45	38.2	36.2	38.3	10.20	10.09	10.09
Beverages	10.2	10.1	9.9	611.24	595.13	569.23	42.3	41.1	40.2	14.46	14.48	14.16

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	4.0	3.0	4.3	421.27	401.58	412.58	43.7	41.4	42.1	9.64	9.70	9.80
Textile & Apparel	24.5	24.9	26.6	191.80	189.26	189.92	35.0	34.6	35.7	5.48	5.47	5.32
Paper & Allied Products	13.6	13.5	13.2	385.02	375.96	360.19	41.4	40.6	40.2	9.30	9.26	8.96
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	6.7	6.7	6.6	395.54	394.25	368.75	41.9	41.5	40.3	9.44	9.50	9.15
Printing & Publishing	40.5	40.2	39.1	368.39	363.95	361.19	37.9	37.1	38.1	9.72	9.81	9.48
Commercial Printing	12.9	12.8	12.4	435.51	428.88	421.88	40.4	39.6	39.8	10.78	10.83	10.60
Chemicals & Allied	29.7	29.7	28.8	452.92	453.70	420.33	41.1	41.7	40.3	11.02	10.88	10.43
Leather & Leather Products	17.7	17.9	20.1	186.45	186.94	184.45	34.4	34.3	35.2	5.42	5.45	5.24
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.4	14.5	15.9	179.37	180.20	182.34	34.1	34.0	35.2	5.26	5.30	5.18
Total Nonmanufacturing	1622.8	1608.1	1594.1									
Mining	6.4	6.3	6.0									
Construction	82.3	79.3	82.9									
Transportation & Public Util.	134.7	134.0	134.2									
Railroad Transportation	12.9	12.9	13.1									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	70.2	70.0	69.3									
Communications	51.6	51.5	51.8									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	488.5	482.7	481.4									
Wholesale Trade	131.3	130.8	130.9									
Retail Trade	357.2	351.8	350.5									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	115.4	115.0	114.2									
Services	448.6	444.0	437.9									
Government	346.9	346.8	337.5									
Federal Government	70.3	70.0	69.6									
State & Local Government	276.6	276.8	268.0									

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Hours and earnings of manufacturing production workers were little changed from the previous month. The factory workweek was an even 40 hours in May, compared to 39.9 in April, while average hourly earnings were up by 4 cents to $9.56. Together, these led to an increase of $2.55 in average weekly earings to $382.40, or 1.2 percent above the year-earlier level.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

The sesaonally adjusted national unemployment rate remained at 7.3 percent in May for the fourth straight month. Total civilian employment was unchanged from May, but nonfarm payroll employment increased by about 345,000 to a seasonally adjusted level of 97.5 million. After moving in tandem during much of the recovery, these two measures of employment have now diverged, with total civilian employment (based on a survey of households) having risen by 1.8 million over the past year, while nonfarm payrolls grew by 3.5 million jobs (based on a survey of employers)

The economy continues to exhibit fairly slow growth, primarily because of weakness in the goods-producing industries. According to the U.S. Commerce Department's "flash" estimate of the Gross National Products, the economy's production of goods and services grew at a 3.1 percent rate in the second quarter, up considerably from the first quarter's rate.

Outlook

Some analysts expect the economy to gain strength later in the year, a prediction which was bolstered somewhat by a sharp increase in the government's index of leading economic indicators in May. This increase followed on the heels of two months of decline, however, and should be interpreted in the light of the relatively saw-toothed pattern exhibited in the past year. All things considered, it is not likely that the above average rates of growth experienced earlier in the recovery will be seen again any time soon.

Changes in Missouri labor market conditions in the coming months, especially June, will probably be dominated by seasonal movements, as students and other enter the labor force for the summer.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — May, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,456,100	2,422,800	2,387,100	33,300	69,000
Total Employed	2,298,300	2,258,000	2,227,100	40,300	71,200
Total Unemployed	157,800	164,900	160,000	-7,100	-2,200
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.4	6.8	6.7	-0.4	-0.3
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Comestics (No. of Jobs)	2,056,000	2,040,300	2,027,200	15,700	28,800
Manufacturing	433,200	432,200	433,100	1,000	100
Durable Goods	249,200	248,600	247,300	600	1,900
Nondurable Goods	184,000	183,600	185,800	400	-1,800
Nonmanufacturing	1,622,800	1,608,100	1,594,100	14,700	28,700
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	6,851	7,658	6,572	-807	279
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	43,593	46,651	38,884	-3,058	4,709
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.2	2.5	2.4	-0.3	-0.2
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	4,052	4,218	4,408	-166	-356
Amount of Benefits Paid	$16,218,996	$17,067,143	$12,075,873	-$848,147	-$4,143,123
State U.I.	15,949,407	16,776,468	11,793,090	-827,061	4,156,317
UCFE	122,047	133,159	132,739	-11,112	-10,691
UCX	147,542	157,516	150,045	-9,974	2,503

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

May, 1985

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The Kansas City Area's May 1985 unemployment rate fell three tenths of a percentage point over the month as a result of 9,100 additional residents finding jobs. The May 1985 unemployment rate stood at 4.4 per cent of the 757,600 in the civilian labor force. An increase of 7,600 in the labor force and a reduction of 1,500 in the number of jobless accounted for the total 9,100 jobs added during the month. As in recent months, jobs in the Manufacturing sector held fairly steady while the bulk of the increase resulted from seasonal hirings in the Services, Retail Trade, Agricultural and Construction sectors. There were 33,700 persons counted as jobless in the Area, down by 5,300 from the May 1984 total of 39,000.

Wage and salaried employment in May 1985 was 677,500, up by 4,700 from the April 1985 total of 672,800. As in previous months, the greater portion of the employment gain occurred in Construction, Services and Trade. Manufacturing employment showed only a moderate overall gain, spread primarily among the Durable Goods industries. It appears that any increase in Manufacturing activity was registered as an increase in hours worked rather than jobs added. Durable Goods manufacturing employment was up by 400, Nondurable Goods manufacturing rose by 100 and Nonmanufacturing employmeng gained 4,200. The Service sector topped the list of gainers with Recreation and Tourism related activities contributing more than half of the total 1,900 jobs gained in the sector. Other Services recording over the month growth were business, health and agricultural services. The second leading sector showing substantial growth was Retail Trade with 1,100 additional jobs primarily eating and drinking establishments. Nonbuilding Construction and special trades contractors added another 800 jobs, pushing the Area Construction jobs total to 28,400. The normal seasonal increase in trucking added 300 jobs in the Transportation, Communications and Utilities industry. Elsewhere in Nonmanufacturing, moderate growth was posted in Wholesale Trade, Finance, Insurance and Real Estate and State and Local Government. The Federal Government showed a small seasonal loss of 300 jobs as tax processing geared down.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 8,600 from May 1984 to May 1985, with gains of 500 in Durable Goods manufacturing, 1,700 in Nondurable Goods manufacturing and 6,400 in Nonmanufacturing. The Durable Goods manufacturing sector showed a slight gain over last year's level. Despite the overall improvement in the Construction sector, cutbacks in the production of construction machinery accounted for employment in the Machinery industry falling below last year's level by 1,000 jobs. Strong sales in communication equipment offset the over-the-year losses experienced in Electronics Equipment and resulted in a net gain of 1,300 jobs in Electrical Equipment. Other Manufacturing industries showing moderate growth over last year's levels were Printing and Publishing with 600 jobs added, Chemicals with 700 jobs and Fabricated Metals with 300 jobs. Minor losses were posted in Primary Metals and Paper and Allied.

The largest yearly advances occurred in the Nonmanufacturing sector, where over half the total gain took place in Services, which added 3,900 jobs over the May 1984 level. Gains were spread widely among business, personal, building, recreation and legal services. Building construction and special trades contractors contributed the greater portion of the 2,200 new jobs added to the year earlier Construction employment level. Within Government, local schools registered losses, while State and Federal Government pushed the total jobs gained in the public sector up by 1,000. Also registering gains were Finance, Insurance and Real Estate, Wholesale Trade and Transportation and Utilties. Despite the strong monthly showing, buoyed by sales in eating and drinking establishment, Retail Trade employment fell well below the May 1984 level. Losses in apparel and department stores accounted for the largest portion of the 2,100 jobs lost.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 33,700 in May 1985, for 4.4 per cent of the labor force, compared to 35,200 in April 1985 for 4.7 per cent of the labor force and 39,000 in May 1984 for 5.4 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The normal seasonal influx of students seeking summer jobs is expected to push the unemployment rate up half a point in June 1985. Continued strong seasonal demand in Services, Construction and Transportation will be unalbe to fully absorb the surge of 10 to 15 thousand entrants in the labor force. Layoffs of tax processors and non-teaching school personnel will further exacerbate the labor market situation. Unemployment is expected to be 5.0 per cent of the labor force in June 1985, compared to 4.4 per cent in May 1985 and 5.3 per cent in June 1984.

July 1985 will see very little change in the Area's unemployment situation. The labor force will shrink as many unsuccessful summer job seekers drop out of the labor market. Anticipated model changeovers in the Area's Motor Vehicle Equipment industry will idle many auto assembly workers and prevent any significant decline in the unemployment rate which would result from the labor force shrinking. Seasonal related employment in Services and Construction will continue to rise toward their yearly high points. Unemployment is expected to be 5.2 per cent of the labor force in July 1985 compared to 5.0 per cent in June 1985 and 5.3 per cent in July 1984.

Kansas City Area-
Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 42,192 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of May 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	21.3
	22-44	64.8
	45 and over	13.9
Sex:	Male	57.6
	Female	42.4
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	31.2
	Other Non-White	1.3
	Hispanic	2.1

Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	38.5
Veterans	18.1
Handicapped	2.1

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated May 31, 1985.

Job Placements:

During May 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job offices Service in the Kansas City Area totaled 9,830 and job placements totaled 2,157. There were 1,559 veteran referrals in May 1985, with 338 veteran placements. During April 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 9,071 and job placements totaled 2,030. There were 1,577 veteran referrals in April 1985, with 378 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated May 31, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only) May 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	15.3	18.7	15.9
25-34	38.0	36.1	37.2
35-44	23.3	20.6	22.2
45-54	12.8	13.8	13.2
55-64	11.2	8.4	10.0
65 and over	0.7	2.2	1.3
Unreported	0.0	0.2	0.2

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.4
Mining	0.1
Construction	8.9
Manufacturing	28.5
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	5.3
Wholesale & Retail Trade	20.3
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.9
Services	27.2
All Other	5.3
Information not available	0.1

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	12.6
Clerical	18.3
Sales	4.6
Services	13.6
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.3
Processing	1.9
Machine Trades	6.6
Bench Work	6.2
Structural Work	8.7
Miscellaneous	14.9
Information not available	12.3

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 5,810; 3,340 were male and 2,470 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current: May, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	677,500	672,800	668,900	+4,700	+8,600
Total Manufacturing	121,400	120,900	119,200	+500	+2,200
Durable Goods	68,900	68,500	68,400	+400	+500
Lumber & Furniture	3,400	3,400	3,400	0	0
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,800	3,700	3,800	+100	0
Primary Metal Industries	4,000	4,000	4,100	0	-100
Fabricated Metal Products	9,800	9,700	9,500	+100	+300
Machinery Except Electrical	7,700	7,600	8,700	+100	-1,000
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,400	21,400	20,100	0	+1,300
Transportation Equipment	15,000	14,900	15,000	+100	0
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(14,800)	(14,700)	(14,800)	(+100)	(0)
Other Durable Goods	3,800	3,800	3,800	0	0
Nondurable Goods	52,500	52,400	50,800	+100	+1,700
Food & Kindred Products	9,900	9,900	9,700	0	+200
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,700	2,700	2,600	0	+100
Paper & Allied Products	5,400	5,400	5,500	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	20,000	20,000	19,400	0	+600
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,800	8,100	0	+700
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,000	4,900	+100	+200
Total Nonmanufacturing	556,100	551,900	549,700	+4,200	+6,400
Mining & Quarrying	700	700	700	0	0
Construction	28,400	27,600	26,200	+800	+2,200
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	51,800	51,500	51,600	+300	+200
Wholesale & Retail Trade	169,800	168,500	171,400	+1,300	-1,600
Wholesale Trade	(53,200)	(53,000)	(52,700)	(+200)	(+500)
Retail Trade	(116,600)	(115,500)	(118,700)	(+1,100)	(-2,100)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	49,800	49,700	49,110	+100	+700
Services	151,300	149,400	147,400	+1,900	+3,900
Government	104,300	104,500	103,300	-200	+1,000
Federal Government	(29,000)	(29,300)	(28,600)	(-300)	(+400)
State & Local Government	(75,300)	(75,200)	(74,700)	(+100)	(+600)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	100	0	0

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: May, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$454.95	$438.19	$446.01	41.7	40.8	41.8	$10.91	$10.74	$10.67
Durable Goods	493.64	468.71	486.64	42.3	40.9	42.8	11.67	11.46	11.37
Lumber & Furniture	308.21	315.74	337.33	40.5	41.6	42.7	7.61	7.59	7.90
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	509.44	480.72	529.57	40.4	39.5	41.3	12.61	12.17	12.55
Primary Metal Industries	446.22	450.46	464.76	38.6	38.9	40.1	11.56	11.58	11.59
Fabricated Metal Products	377.06	375.06	362.18	40.5	39.9	39.8	9.31	9.40	9.10
Machinery Exc. Electrical	430.34	394.61	409.38	43.2	39.5	39.1	10.17	9.99	10.47
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	462.85	472.08	437.02	41.4	42.0	41.9	11.18	11.24	10.43
Transportation Equipment	694.04	609.61	701.80	46.3	42.1	48.2	14.99	14.48	14.56
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(698.32)	(612.56)	(707.11)	(46.4)	(42.1)	(48.3)	(15.05)	(14.55)	(14.64)
Other Durable Goods	281.86	271.94	256.54	38.4	37.1	40.4	7.34	7.33	6.35
Nondurable Goods	388.69	387.46	374.30	40.7	40.7	40.0	9.55	9.52	9.37
Food & Kindred Products	421.03	423.87	403.12	42.4	42.6	42.3	9.93	9.95	9.53
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	180.82	195.56	190.64	33.3	35.3	35.5	5.43	5.54	5.37
*Paper & Allied Products	401.40	383.87	383.46	41.9	41.1	41.5	9.58	9.34	9.24
Printing & Publishing	389.86	392.19	399.76	38.6	38.3	38.0	10.10	10.24	10.52
Chemicals & Allied Products	489.55	489.46	455.92	43.4	43.2	41.0	11.28	11.33	11.12
Petroleum & Coal Products	378.51	398.11	358.80	37.7	39.3	39.0	10.04	10.13	9.20
Other Nondurable Goods	310.80	299.04	273.10	42.0	42.0	40.4	7.40	7.12	6.76

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

May, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate remained at 7.8% from April to May. This leveling of the unemployment rate occurred despite continued strong employment gains. Total employment stood at 1,107,700, an increase of 15,300 over the month. The number of unemployed also rose during the month, up by 700. Some of the increase in employment and unemployment may be due to college graduates and students entering the labor force in May. The survey week for May was the week ending May 18th, after most colleges and universities had completed their spring semesters. The unemployment rate is now at its 1984 levels. The rate in May 1984 was 7.8%. Over the year, the number of unemployed has increased by 2100 and employment rose 28,300. There were 100 labor disputants in May, less than 50 in April, and 400 in May 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing rose by 400 over the month. Motor vehicles added 1000 workers as one assembly plant began recalling workers after a long model changeover shutdown and another plant prepared to begin a new second shift production schedule. Textile and apparel experience a seasonal decline and leather continued to be affected by permanent layoffs. Over the year, manufacturing declined by 200. Electrical equipment and transportation equipment continued to register improvement over 1984 levels while a majority of the major nondurable industries experienced losses.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing rose by 8100 over the month. Seasonal gains occurred in construction, transportation, retail trade, real estate and services. Wholesale trade, down 100, was the only industry that registered a decline. Over the year, nonmanufacturing added 19400 workers. The largest increases occurred in trade (+7200), services (+5500), and government (+2200). Government employment has been affected by increased tax revenue and continued strong defense spending.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were down 3600 in May, from April. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were down 2300 and in the Illinois portion they were down 1300.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
INA	2	2	4	3
Agriculture	147	91	51	24
Mining	31	34	20	19
Constructin	4361	2792	1633	1239
Manufacturing Total	4652	5376	5590	4856
Food	423	439	409	353
Textile	27	19	24	24
Apparel	170	138	223	377
Lumber	41	45	44	19
Furniture	57	78	70	94
Paper	79	125	116	133
Printing	172	171	187	167
Chemicals	139	139	150	144
Petroleum	14	18	18	19
Rubber	140	211	207	155
Leather	257	293	370	360
Stone	105	99	85	77
Primary Metal	221	228	207	178
Fabricated Metal	483	551	563	529
Machinery	115	147	153	107
Electrtical Machinery	172	239	331	256
Transportation Equip.	1384	1714	1696	1194
Instruments	32	39	37	30
Miscellaneous	613	683	694	638
Public Utilities	873	921	915	672
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2302	2683	2337	2150
Finance	237	289	277	272
Services	5764	6045	5510	5278
All Other	236	226	206	237
TOTAL	18605	18459	16543	14750

Of the 147503 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in May, 1985, 58.1 percent were male and 41.9 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1472	1672	1592	1607
Clerical	2046	2302	2268	2147
Sales	621	670	627	690
Farm, Fish & Forest	331	254	146	83
Processing	304	323	308	304
Machine Trades	1215	1344	1368	1243
Bench Work	767	891	941	950
Structural Work	2470	2328	1841	1486
Misc. Work	2223	2326	2067	1750
Domestic	46	43	31	33
Other Services	2415	2605	2269	2212
INA	4695	3701	3085	2345
TOTAL	18605	18459	16543	14750

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	44.8	13.9	21.8	38.3	2.0
Placements, %	43.0	14.1	34.5	37.1	2.2

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	4.9	1.8
Clerical	17.5	14.4
Sales	15.3	18.2
Processing	1.3	1.5
Machine Trades	4.5	4.1
Bench Work	3.9	4.3
Structural Work	11.2	11.9
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.5	3.3
Packaging & Material Handling	9.3	12.9
Domestic	1.1	1.0
Other Services	25.9	25.3
Other Occupations	1.6	1.3

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in June, 1985 is expected to be 8.1% and in July, 7.8%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current:** May, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,063,200	1,054,700	1,044,000	+8,500	+19,200
Percent Change				+(0.8)	+(1.8)
Manufacturing	227,000	226,600	227,200	+400	-200
Durable Goods	143,900	143,000	142,200	+900	+1,700
Lumber & Furniture	5,200	5,100	4,700	+100	+500
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,600	3,500	3,700	+100	-100
Primary Metal Industries	14,600	14,700	15,600	-100	-1,000
Fabricated Metal Products	17,500	17,600	17,700	-100	-200
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,900	18,900	18,700	0	+200
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,000	15,200	14,500	-200	+500
Transportation Equipment	55,900	54,800	54,200	+1,100	+1,700
Motor Vehicles	18,900	17,900	18,500	+1,000	+400
Aircraft & Parts	36,300	36,200	34,500	+100	+1,800
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,200	13,200	13,100	0	+100
Nondurable Goods	83,100	83,600	85,000	-500	-1,900
Food & Kindred Products	21,300	21,300	21,600	0	-300
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,500	8,500	8,500	0	0
Textiles & Apparel	6,700	6,800	6,900	-100	-200
Paper & Paper Products	5,700	5,700	5,800	0	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,700	16,800	16,400	-100	+300
Chemical & Allied Products	20,700	20,800	20,600	-100	+100
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,500	4,600	5,600	-100	-1,100
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,200	5,700	-100	-600
Nonmanufacturing	836,200	828,100	816,800	+8,100	+19,400
Mining	3,600	3,600	3,500	0	+100
Construction	50,400	48,600	48,300	+1,800	+2,100
Transportation & Public Utilities	74,500	73,600	74,100	+900	+400
Railroads	7,300	7,300	7,600	0	-300
Transportation, Except Railroads	39,800	39,000	39,400	+800	+400
Communications & Public Utilities	27,400	27,300	27,100	+100	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	251,000	248,400	243,400	+2,600	+7,600
Wholesale Trade	64,900	65,000	64,500	-100	+400
Retail Trade	186,100	183,400	178,900	-2,700	+7,200
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	63,500	63,100	62,000	+400	+1,500
Service, Except Domestic	252,700	251,200	247,200	+1,500	+5,500
Total Government	140,500	139,600	138,300	+900	+2,200
Total Federal Government	38,000	37,700	37,400	+300	+600
Total State & Local Government	102,500	101,900	100,900	+600	+1,600
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	100	0	400	+100	-300

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: **St. Louis Metropolitan Area** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **May, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$440.70	$437.30	$441.79	40.1	39.9	41.6	$10.99	$10.96	$10.62
Durable Goods	463.08	458.14	473.24	40.8	40.4	43.1	11.35	11.34	10.98
Lumber & Furniture	341.53	330.85	339.90	41.0	39.2	41.2	8.33	8.44	8.25
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	401.94	362.36	427.73	38.5	35.7	39.9	10.44	10.15	10.72
Primary Metal Industries	469.25	466.03	471.33	39.7	39.9	41.6	11.82	11.68	11.33
Fabricated Metal Products	428.48	426.83	429.42	41.2	41.2	42.1	10.40	10.36	10.20
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	448.74	451.07	455.52	40.5	40.6	41.6	11.08	11.11	10.95
Elect & Electronic Equip.	312.34	309.57	305.75	38.8	38.6	38.9	8.05	8.02	7.86
Transportation Equipment	586.95	587.73	609.13	43.0	42.9	47.7	13.65	13.70	12.77
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	281.16	268.41	279.36	36.0	34.5	37.7	7.81	7.78	7.41
Nondurable Goods	401.84	401.56	388.65	38.9	39.1	39.1	10.33	10.27	9.94
Food & Kindred Products	488.03	482.80	472.61	40.3	40.0	39.9	12.11	12.07	11.87
Textiles & Apparel	197.64	194.97	197.69	33.9	33.5	34.5	5.83	5.82	5.73
Paper & Paper Products	425.88	418.91	410.69	42.0	41.6	41.4	10.14	10.07	9.92
Printing & Publishing	383.90	380.93	377.72	37.6	37.2	38.0	10.21	10.24	9.94
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	465.94	471.94	440.76	40.8	42.1	40.4	11.42	11.21	10.91
Petroleum & Coal Products	608.52	612.00	634.71	42.2	42.5	44.2	14.42	14.40	14.36
Leather & Leather Products	187.06	186.15	189.91	34.9	34.6	35.3	5.36	5.38	5.38
Other Nondurable Goods	291.69	308.07	303.00	37.3	38.8	40.4	7.82	7.94	7.50

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

May, 1985

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded by 1,500 from April to reach 119,400 in May. The number of unemployed persons, estimated at 6,700 for May, increased 500 from April. The rate of unemployment jumped three-tenths of a percentage point from April to 5.6 percent in May. During May 1984, unemployment totaled 5,700 and the rate of unemployment was calculated at 4.9 percent

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment rose 200 from April to reach 95,600 in May. Manufacturing employment, estimated at 19,000, remained at the April level. An increase of 100 jobs in the nondurable manufacturing segment was off-set by a corresponding decrease in the durable manufacturing group. Since May 1984, a reduction of 600 manufacturing jobs is noted. The entire decrease occurred in durable manufacturing industries. Nonmanufacturing employment increased 200 over the month. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels from April include: construction, up 100; and services, down 300. The deop in services mostly results from seasonal changes at private educational institutions.

During the past 12 months, nonmanufacturing jobs rose by approximately 1,200. The most significant gains occurred in construction, trade and services.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers decreased from $8.63 in April to $8.62 in May. This change is the net result of a three cent per hour drop in durable goods manufacturing wages and a gain of one cent per hour in the nondurable segment.

During May 1984, hourly wages averaged $8.25 and the average factory work week came to 39.4 hours.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: May, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	95,600	95,400	94,000	+200	+600
Manufacturing	19,000	19,000	19,600	0	-600
Durable Goods	9,800	9,900	10,400	-100	-600
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	900	0	0
Other Durable Goods	8,900	9,000	9,500	-100	-600
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,100	9,200	+100	0
Food Processing	3,900	3,900	3,800	0	+100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,700	3,600	3,800	+100	-100
Nonmanufacturing	76,600	76,400	75,400	200	1,200
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,600	3,500	3,300	+100	+300
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	6,000	6,100	-100	-200
Trade	26,500	26,000	26,200	+500	+300
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,300	0	+100
Services	23,100	23,400	22,600	-300	+500
Government	13,000	13,000	12,800	0	+200
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	11,300	11,300	11,100	0	+200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment is expected to record a moderate decrease in June. Contributing to this change will include a slight drop in manufacturing employment and a reduction in the number of employees at state and local schools during the summer months.

June should bring with it the normal seasonal increase in unemployment as students flood the job market. An increase of two or three-tenths of a percentage point in the rate of unemployment seems pluasible.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: **Springfield, Missouri** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **May, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$334.46	$342.61	$325.05	38.8	39.7	39.4	$8.62	$8.63	$8.25
Durable Goods	326.70	341.38	312.84	38.8	40.4	39.7	8.42	8.45	7.88
Nondurable Goods	346.10	346.60	352.80	38.8	38.9	40.0	8.92	8.91	8.82
Food & Kindred Products	371.45	373.72	387.86	39.6	39.8	41.0	9.38	9.39	9.46
Other Nondurable Goods	333.41	331.78	320.26	38.5	38.4	37.9	8.66	8.64	8.45

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Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri employment continued to climb in June, and unemployment increased less than expected at the beginning of summer. Total employment, fueled by the summer influx of students and seasonal increases in various industries, grew by 34,200 from May to a new high of 2,332,100. At the same time, the growth of the labor force for the summer resulted in an increase of 6300 in the number of unemployed Missourians, a smaller-than-usual amount for June. The unemployment rate edged up by a tenth of a percentage point from May to 6.6 percent.

The June estimate of total employment is up from the year earlier by 86,400. During the period, the labor force grew by nearly as much as total employment — 85,700 — and the unemployment rate declined by three-tenths of a percentage point. The estimated number of nonfarm payroll jobs has not kep pace with the growth of total employment. Over the past year, nonagricultural wage and salary employment grew by 20,100 jobs, despite a loss of 1900 manufacturing jobs, reaching 2,051,000 in June. The total is down slightly from May, primarily the result of seasonal decreases in state and local government with the closing of schools for the summer.

Manufacturing employment edged up slightly (600 jobs) to 434,000, and the factory workweek climbed by four-tenths of an hour to 40.4 hours. This increase in average weekly hours was spread through many of the manufacturing industries. Average weekly hours was spread through many

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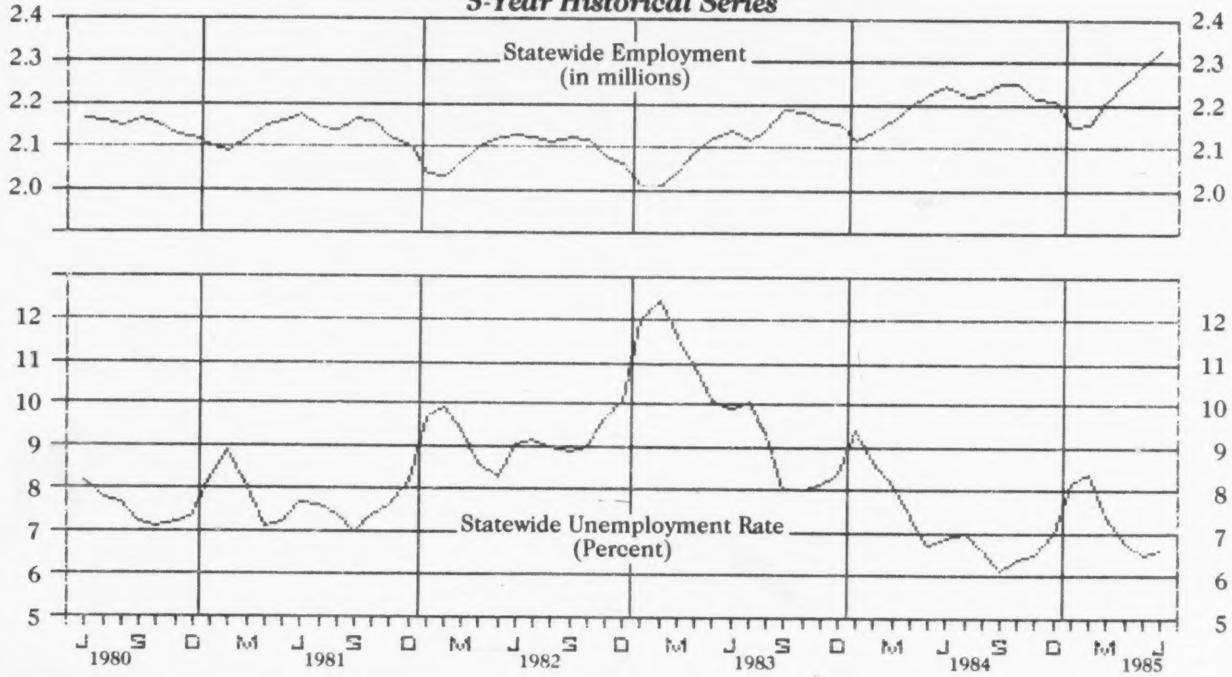

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - JUN 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - MAY 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - JUN 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2497454	2332050	165404	6.6	2457031	2297882	159149	6.5	2411793	2245657	166136	6.9
ST. LOUIS MSA	1218952	1117911	101041	8.3	1202033	1107081	94952	7.9	1187738	1092753	94985	8.0
KANSAS CITY MSA	772752	737293	35459	4.6	757916	723876	34040	4.5	744810	705196	39614	5.3
SPRINGFIELD MSA	119137	112741	6396	5.4	119733	112986	6747	5.6	115669	109729	5940	5.1
COLUMBIA MSA	60836	58262	2574	4.2	62441	59774	2667	4.3	59028	56864	2164	3.7
JOPLIN MSA	62204	58272	3932	6.3	61112	57099	4013	6.6	58932	55123	3809	6.5
ST. JOSEPH MSA	42506	39571	2935	6.9	42368	39464	2904	6.9	43158	39697	3461	8.0
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	16088	15304	784	4.9	16362	15474	888	5.4	16155	15185	970	6.0
ANDREW	6478	6193	285	4.4	6640	6339	301	4.5	6406	5962	444	6.9
ATCHISON	4359	4152	207	4.7	4286	4086	200	4.7	4490	4112	378	8.4
AUDRAIN	11353	10351	1002	8.8	11210	10071	1139	10.2	11285	10609	676	6.0
BARRY	12447	11755	692	5.6	12256	11523	733	6.0	11340	10755	585	5.2
BARTON	5054	4882	172	3.4	5147	4961	186	3.6	5204	5030	174	3.3
BATES	8073	7607	466	5.8	7895	7416	479	6.1	7643	7156	487	6.4
BENTON	6112	5761	351	5.7	5825	5501	324	5.6	5270	4939	331	6.3
BOLLINGER	3359	2799	560	16.7	3236	2785	451	13.9	3115	2684	431	13.8
BUTLER	17044	15499	1545	9.1	16939	15331	1608	9.5	16823	15188	1635	9.7
CALDWELL	3806	3615	191	5.0	3772	3586	186	4.9	3728	3525	203	5.4
CALLAWAY	18860	17646	1214	6.4	18923	17714	1209	6.4	19048	17656	1392	7.3
CAMDEN	16447	15734	713	4.3	15208	14511	697	4.6	14192	13526	666	4.7
CAPE GIRARDEAU	33309	31681	1628	4.9	33097	31559	1538	4.6	31026	29239	1787	5.8
CARROLL	4735	4440	295	6.2	4614	4339	275	6.0	4600	4281	319	6.9
CARTER	3133	2885	248	7.9	2905	2630	275	9.5	2913	2688	225	7.7
CEDAR	4732	4390	342	7.2	4522	4137	385	8.5	4563	4289	274	6.0
CHARITON	5209	4941	268	5.1	5149	4874	275	5.3	5161	4806	355	6.9
CLARK	3428	3148	280	8.2	3379	3081	298	8.8	3327	3048	279	8.4
CLINTON	7910	7483	427	5.4	7653	7258	395	5.2	7481	7065	416	5.6
COLE/OSAGE LMA	39723	37407	2316	5.8	38578	36563	2015	5.2	37165	34746	2419	6.5
COOPER	7170	6696	474	6.6	7193	6749	444	6.2	6984	6499	485	6.9
CRAWFORD	8156	7480	676	8.3	7911	7280	631	8.0	8061	7368	693	8.6
DADE	3999	3820	179	4.5	3861	3678	183	4.7	3797	3665	132	3.5
DALLAS	5158	4738	420	8.1	4987	4593	394	7.9	4672	4307	365	7.8
DAVIESS	3296	3141	155	4.7	3318	3154	164	4.9	3176	2936	240	7.6
DEKALB	3842	3641	201	5.2	3797	3604	193	5.1	3340	3163	177	5.3
DENT	6544	6055	489	7.5	6383	5843	540	8.5	5933	5196	737	12.4
DOUGLAS	4915	4342	573	11.7	4801	4228	573	11.9	4885	4382	503	10.3
DUNKLIN	13369	11930	1439	10.8	12982	11606	1376	10.6	13573	12078	1495	11.0
GASCONADE	7103	6696	407	5.7	6997	6595	402	5.7	7334	6839	495	6.7
GENTRY	4195	4052	143	3.4	4126	3995	131	3.2	4070	3886	184	4.5
GRUNDY	5431	5094	337	6.2	5397	5002	395	7.3	5403	4862	541	10.0
HARRISON	5481	5265	216	3.9	5318	5116	202	3.8	5169	4890	279	5.4
HENRY	10185	9509	676	6.6	9791	9295	496	5.1	9457	8950	507	5.4
HICKORY	2861	2686	175	6.1	2834	2649	185	6.5	2453	2269	184	7.5
HOLT	3453	3315	138	4.0	3455	3303	152	4.4	3471	3282	189	5.4
HOWARD	4914	4619	295	6.0	4745	4473	272	5.7	4722	4460	262	5.5
HOWELL	13816	12575	1241	9.0	13747	12599	1148	8.4	13292	12158	1134	8.5
IRON	4017	3390	627	15.6	3935	3284	651	16.5	4352	3818	534	12.3
JOHNSON	16504	15839	665	4.0	16853	16257	596	3.5	14727	14017	710	4.8
KNOX	2478	2309	169	6.8	2404	2232	172	7.2	2576	2333	243	9.4
LACLEDE	12524	11384	1140	9.1	12315	11153	1162	9.4	11531	10590	941	8.2
LAWRENCE	12902	12060	842	6.5	12688	11871	817	6.4	12348	11544	804	6.5

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	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	6001	5549	452	7.5	5896	5426	470	8.0	5607	5117	490	8.7
LINCOLN	11422	10442	980	8.6	10909	10083	826	7.6	10237	9413	824	8.0
LINN	8045	7576	469	5.8	7995	7518	477	6.0	7888	7319	569	7.2
LIVINGSTON	6881	6510	371	5.4	6671	6303	368	5.5	6770	6234	536	7.9
MACON	7605	7134	471	6.2	7491	7047	444	5.9	7030	6582	448	6.4
MADISON	3889	3435	454	11.7	3755	3330	425	11.3	3916	3418	498	12.7
MARIES	3100	2850	250	8.1	3092	2845	247	8.0	2660	2407	253	9.5
MARION/RALLS LMA	19389	17945	1444	7.4	18804	17377	1427	7.6	18502	17037	1465	7.9
MCDONALD	5928	5496	432	7.3	5792	5351	441	7.6	5575	5153	422	7.6
MERCER	1805	1741	64	3.5	1824	1754	70	3.8	1924	1797	127	6.6
MILLER	11960	11162	798	6.7	11510	10597	913	7.9	11096	10304	792	7.1
MISSISSIPPI	7051	6263	788	11.2	6738	6071	667	9.9	6946	5932	1014	14.6
MONITEAU	4933	4523	410	8.3	4822	4484	338	7.0	4988	4539	449	9.0
MONROE	4974	4738	236	4.7	4772	4551	221	4.6	5150	4865	285	5.5
MONTGOMERY	5414	5028	386	7.1	5281	4891	390	7.4	5413	5100	313	5.8
MORGAN	6322	5897	425	6.7	6218	5805	413	6.6	6418	5984	434	6.8
NEW MADRID	11925	10773	1152	9.7	11435	10362	1073	9.4	11652	10655	997	8.6
NODAWAY	10643	10238	405	3.8	11055	10621	434	3.9	10117	9715	402	4.0
OREGON	2986	2650	336	11.3	3111	2742	369	11.9	2983	2576	407	13.6
OZARK	4665	4409	256	5.5	4424	4161	263	5.9	4437	4033	404	9.1
PEMISCOT	8763	7764	999	11.4	8452	7677	775	9.2	8564	7307	1257	14.7
PERRY	7466	7031	435	5.8	7251	6814	437	6.0	7158	6719	439	6.1
PETTIS	17413	15961	1452	8.3	17473	16215	1258	7.2	16762	15471	1291	7.7
PHELPS	15586	14601	985	6.3	16491	15408	1083	6.6	15264	14210	1054	6.9
PIKE	7390	6624	766	10.4	7158	6439	719	10.0	7301	6509	792	10.8
POLK	9378	8438	940	10.0	9266	8355	911	9.8	8606	7962	644	7.5
PULASKI	9499	8904	595	6.3	9317	8700	617	6.6	9099	8389	710	7.8
PUTNAM	3028	2898	130	4.3	2863	2771	92	3.2	3136	2959	177	5.6
RANDOLPH	12264	11583	681	5.6	12205	11486	719	5.9	11884	10987	897	7.5
REYNOLDS	2345	1965	380	16.2	2244	1856	388	17.3	2459	2113	346	14.1
RIPLEY	3507	3139	368	10.5	3426	3072	354	10.3	3375	2948	427	12.7
SALINE	14805	14157	648	4.4	14527	13869	658	4.5	14083	13443	640	4.5
SCOTLAND	2563	2448	115	4.5	2525	2382	143	5.7	2410	2292	118	4.9
SCOTT	18079	16507	1572	8.7	17543	16125	1418	8.1	17644	16014	1630	9.2
SHANNON	3066	2599	467	15.2	2987	2597	390	13.1	3315	2828	487	14.7
SHELBY	3427	3279	148	4.3	3361	3204	157	4.7	3221	3057	164	5.1
ST. CLAIR	4048	3841	207	5.1	3981	3739	242	6.1	3777	3559	218	5.8
ST. FRANCOIS	20437	18560	1877	9.2	20085	18244	1841	9.2	20071	17944	2127	10.6
STE. GENEVIEVE	6530	6068	462	7.1	6161	5724	437	7.1	5784	5311	473	8.2
STODDARD	13551	12504	1047	7.7	13071	12007	1064	8.1	12842	11546	1296	10.1
STONE	9995	9308	687	6.9	9140	8255	885	9.7	9238	8616	622	6.7
SULLIVAN	3527	3296	231	6.5	3431	3245	186	5.4	3604	3364	240	6.7
TANEY	18578	17765	813	4.4	17516	16375	1141	6.5	15952	15117	835	5.2
TEXAS	8184	6995	1189	14.5	8023	7000	1023	12.8	8046	7019	1027	12.8
VERNON	10015	9625	390	3.9	9860	9463	397	4.0	9735	9287	448	4.6
WARREN	7453	6950	503	6.7	7245	6815	430	5.9	6345	5907	438	6.9
WASHINGTON	4752	3747	1005	21.1	4590	3637	953	20.8	4625	3784	841	18.2
WAYNE	4594	4046	548	11.9	4393	3910	483	11.0	4527	3953	574	12.7
WEBSTER	8825	8118	707	8.0	9103	8182	921	10.1	7636	6994	642	8.4
WORTH	1207	1163	44	3.6	1177	1139	38	3.2	1153	1092	61	5.3
WRIGHT	7372	6625	747	10.1	7342	6560	782	10.7	7506	6736	770	10.3

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
June, 1985

Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2051.0	2055.5	2030.9									
Total Manufacturing	434.0	433.4	435.9	385.82	382.00	373.82	40.4	40.0	40.5	9.55	9.55	9.23
Durable Goods	250.1	249.4	249.5	434.36	419.84	422.10	41.4	41.0	42.0	10.25	10.24	10.05
Lumber & Wood Products	10.5	10.7	10.7	237.51	243.98	237.16	39.0	39.1	39.2	6.09	6.24	6.05
Furniture & Fixtures	11.2	11.2	10.8	328.50	307.44	327.62	45.0	42.7	43.8	7.30	7.20	7.48
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.7	10.5	11.3	445.30	435.65	435.13	42.9	42.7	43.6	10.38	10.39	9.98
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	0.8	564.98	577.10	545.60	39.9	40.9	40.0	14.16	14.11	13.64
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.1	2.5	451.19	445.06	453.13	39.2	38.6	40.1	11.51	11.53	11.30
Primary Metal Industries	13.0	13.2	14.1	423.44	411.80	425.57	39.5	38.2	38.9	10.72	10.79	10.94
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.8	1.9	2.1	375.14	357.40	351.28	40.6	39.8	40.1	9.24	8.98	8.76
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.1	325.20	311.58	331.80	41.8	40.1	42.0	7.78	7.77	7.90
Fabricated Metal Products	28.7	28.4	28.2	393.54	388.55	387.57	41.6	40.9	41.1	9.46	9.50	9.43
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	11.0	10.9	10.5	377.87	367.93	366.40	41.8	40.7	40.0	9.04	9.04	9.16
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.2	31.8	32.7	400.41	402.52	405.73	40.9	40.7	40.9	9.79	9.89	9.92
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	52.1	51.7	50.5	379.08	378.28	370.44	40.5	40.2	42.0	9.36	9.41	8.82
Transportation Equipment	73.6	72.9	72.2	583.25	578.52	577.08	43.3	43.4	44.7	13.47	13.33	12.91
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	33.5	33.5	34.0	608.34	603.00	603.60	44.6	44.7	46.9	13.64	13.49	12.87
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.7	11.9	11.8	277.43	280.67	306.86	37.9	39.2	39.8	7.32	7.16	7.71
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.2	7.0	7.2	245.15	236.39	264.27	37.2	36.2	38.2	6.52	6.53	6.90
Nondurable Goods	183.9	184.0	186.5	333.84	332.05	313.43	39.0	38.7	38.6	8.56	8.58	8.12
Food & Kindred Products	44.3	44.5	44.6	385.02	385.52	399.08	40.7	40.2	42.5	9.46	9.59	9.39
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	11.9	11.9	11.3	249.74	249.66	288.10	38.9	37.6	43.0	6.42	6.64	6.70
Dairy Products	6.2	6.2	6.4	431.26	398.47	385.31	45.3	42.8	44.7	9.52	9.31	8.62
Grain Mill Products	6.9	6.9	7.1	401.80	414.51	452.73	40.1	41.0	43.7	10.02	10.11	10.36
Bakery Products	5.2	5.2	5.5	381.62	389.64	388.16	38.2	38.2	38.7	9.99	10.20	10.03
Beverages	10.3	10.2	9.9	601.95	624.49	584.26	40.7	41.8	41.0	14.79	14.94	14.25

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	3.9	4.0	4.3	421.61	420.27	398.96	43.6	44.1	41.3	9.67	9.53	9.66
Textile & Apparel	24.5	24.6	26.7	195.41	192.35	192.92	35.4	35.1	36.4	5.52	5.48	5.30
Paper & Allied Products	13.9	13.7	13.2	378.22	384.50	361.20	40.8	41.3	40.0	9.27	9.31	9.03
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	7.0	6.8	6.5	398.58	396.37	373.18	42.0	41.9	40.3	9.46	9.46	9.26
Printing & Publishing	40.4	40.5	39.4	380.77	370.26	368.26	38.5	38.1	38.4	9.89	9.72	9.59
Commercial Printing	12.9	12.9	12.5	433.61	435.11	434.52	40.6	40.4	40.8	10.68	10.77	10.65
Chemicals & Allied	30.0	29.6	29.3	450.46	453.74	343.69	41.1	41.1	34.3	10.96	11.04	10.02
Leather & Leather Products	17.9	17.8	20.1	187.92	186.10	189.95	34.8	34.4	36.6	5.40	5.41	5.19
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.5	14.5	15.9	182.70	179.37	187.00	34.8	34.1	36.4	5.25	5.26	5.14
Total Nonmanufacturing	1617.0	1622.1	1594.9									
Mining	6.5	6.4	580									
Construction	84.7	82.3	86.1									
Transportation & Public Util.	134.6	134.8	133.8									
Railroad Transportation	12.9	12.9	13.1									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	69.5	70.3	68.4									
Communications	52.3	51.7	52.3									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	490.2	487.9	484.8									
Wholesale Trade	131.4	130.7	131.1									
Retail Trade	358.8	357.3	353.8									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	116.8	115.5	115.4									
Services	450.0	447.7	441.4									
Government	334.1	347.5	327.6									
Federal Government	71.4	70.5	70.0									
State & Local Government	262.7	277.0	257.5									

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of the manufacturing industries. Average weekly earnings were up by $3.82 to $385.82, as average hourly earnings remained unchanged at $9.55. Compared to a year ago, average weekly earnings are up by $12, or 3.2 percent.

National Economic and Labor Market Conditions

For the fifth straight month, the seasonally adjusted national unemployment rate remained at 7.3 percent. Total employment increased by less than the seasonally expected amount in June, so that seasonally adjusted employment dropped by more than half a million in the month. This measure of employment is not appreciably different from its level at the end of 1984.

Nonfarm payroll employment seemed to have about leveled off in June after several months of increases. Manufacturing employment dropped further in the month and is now more than 200,00 jobs below the leveled off in June after several months of increases. Manufacturing employment dropped further in the month and is now more than 200,000 jobs below the level at the end of 1984. The service industries have continued to show employment growth.

Outlook

Some analysts look for a pickup in economic activity later in the year, a view which was buttressed by the sharp increase in the government's index of leading economic indicators in June, the largest in six months. Although the economy may be shaking off some of its lethargy, there will probably be no sharp changes evident in the Missouri labor markets in the next few months. The seasonal peaks in both employment and unemployment are now behind us. Unemployment should begin to decline seasonally over the next months, with the more substantial drops occurring in the fall. There may continue to be some actual increase in total employment, despite the usual seasonal tendency to decrease in July and August. Payroll employment should pick up again in the fall, with the start of the new school year.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related To Manpower Developments Missouri — June, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,497,500	2,457,000	2,411,800	40,500	85,700
Total Employed	2,332,100	2,297,900	2,245,700	34,200	86,400
Total Unemployed	165,400	159,100	166,100	-6,300	-700
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.6	6.5	6.9	0.1	-0.3
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment					
Except Comestics (No. of Jobs)	2,051,000	2,055,500	2,030,900	-4,500	20,100
Manufacturing	434,000	433,400	435,900	600	-1,900
Durable Goods	250,100	249,000	249,500	700	600
Nondurable Goods	183,900	184,000	186,500	-100	-2,600
Nonmanufacturing	1,617,000	1,622,100	1,594,900	5,100	22,100
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	7,612	6,851	6,314	761	1,298
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	37,750	43,593	39,157	-5,843	-1,407
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.2	2.2	2.1	0.0	0.1
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,135	4,052	3,814	-917	-679
Amount of Benefits Paid	$13,213,819	$16,218,996	$11,656,321	-$3,005,177	-$1,557,498
State U.I.	12,979,786	15,949,407	11,398,766	-2,969,621	1,581,020
UCFE	110,099	122,047	126,359	-11,948	-16,260
UCX	123,934	147,542	131,196	-23,608	-7,262

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

June, 1985

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The Kansas City Area unemployment rate edged up by a tenth of a percentage point to 4.6 per cent in June 1985, but fell far short of the expected rise. The number of unemployed rose for the first time in 1985 by 1,500 persons, after declining steadily from the January 1985 high of 43,800. Compared to last year at this time, there were 4,100 fewer persons unemployed. The seasonal expansion of the civilian labor force of 14,900 persons, mostly students and school personnel, coupled with moderate overall growth in nonfarm jobs, contributed to the rise in the rate and number of jobless. Contrary to expectations, the area absorbed almost 90% of the seasonal growth in the labor force. The result of these successful job searches led to civilian employment showing a gain of 13,400 persons over-the-month and over-the-year recording more than 32,000 more workers. Over-the-year, the civilian labor force expanded by 28,000 to 772,800. Both the civilian labor force and employment levels represent all time highs for the 10-county area.

Wage and salaried employment in June 1985 was 679,800, up by 2,200 from the May 1985 total of 677,600. Despite the addition of 5,200 jobs, primarily in industries in the nonmanufacturing sector, job losses in government reduced the overall growth in payroll jobs to 2,200. Contributing more than 50 per cent of the over-the-month increase were construction with 1,500 jobs and services with 1,400 jobs. Special trade contractors accounted for more than 60 per cent of the total construction jobs added, while the remaining jobs were split equally between building and non-building construction. Recreation activities accounted for the bulk of the jobs in the services sector, however other notable gains were made in medical and legal services. The usual increase in activities in the real estate sector, contributed two thirds of the 600 jobs added over-the-month in finance, insurance and real estate. Wholesale trade, primarily durable goods, also added 600 jobs. Department stores and eating and drinking establishments gained 600 jobs, but general losses spread among the other retailers, reduced the total gain in retail trade to only 200 new jobs. The big loser over-the-month was government. Despite increased seasonal hiring in local government, reductions in state and local schools resulted in a decline by 2,000 jobs in state and local government. Federal government also declined slightly over-the-month.

Among the manufacturing industries, the only significant employment change occurred in machinery, which lost 400 jobs as a result of a temporary lay-off in construction machinery and equipment. Overall the manufacturing sector changed very little over-the-month. Small gains were posted in electrical equipment, motor vehicles, food fabricated metals, paper and chemicals. Minor losses in printing and publishing, primary metals, stone, clay and glass and other durables held overall growth in manufacturing down to 200 jobs.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 6,300 from June 1984 to June 1985, with gains of 400 in durable goods manufacturing, 1,100 in nondurable goods manufacturing and 4,800 in nonmanufacturing. While overall growth in manufacturing was modest, several industries recorded substantial changes over year ago levels. Electrical equipment, spurred by the expanding communications equipment industry and despite the slow down in electronics equipment, recorded a gain of 1,200 jobs. Small general gains combined for a increase of 600 jobs in fabricated metals. Chemicals, food, motor vehicles and printing also showed moderate growth over-the-year. Continued weakness in the goods producing sector showed especially in the durable goods manufacturing industries. Construction machinery losses accounted for the bulk of a drop of 1,200 jobs recorded over-the-year. Continued weakness in the goods producing sector showed especially in the durable goods manufacturing industries. Construction machinery losses accounted for the bulk of a drop of 1,200 jobs recorded over-the-year in machinery. Other over-the-year losses were registered in primary metals, stone, clay and glass and paper.

The nonmanufacturing sector continues to account for the bulk of the over-the-year expansion. Job growth occurred in all but one industry during the period. Retail trade still held under last year's levels. Declines of 2,300 jobs were recorded in department stores, apparel and eating and drinking establishments. Notable among substantial gainers were services with 2,800 jobs and construction with 1,800 jobs over June 1984 levels. Gains within the services were fairly pervasive. In the construction industry, special trades contractors accounted for almost three fourths of the over-the-year advance. Building construction posted increases over last year while nonbuilding construction showed fewer jobs than were registered in June 1984. Government, wholesale trade and finance, insurance and real estate made moderate job growth over-the-year ago levels. The remaining industries were virtually unchanged.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 35,500 in June 1985 for 4.6 per cent of the labor force, compared to 34,000 in May 1985 for 4.5 per cent of the labor force and 39,600 in June 1984 for 5.3 per cent of the labor force.

Employment and Unemployment Forecast

The area's unemployment rate is expected to show little change in July 1985. After peaking in June, the area's labor force will shrink as the relatively small number of unsuccessful summer job seekers drop out of the labor force. Job gains will continue in the services and construction sectors. These gains will be offset by idled assembly workers, as anticipated model changeovers affect the area's motor vehicle equipment industry. No major employment changes are expected in other manufacturing industries. Unemployment is expected to be 4.6 per cent of the labor force in July 1985, compared to 4.6 per cent in June 1985 and 5.3 per cent in July 1984.

Unemployment conditions in the area in August 1985 will show little change over July's levels. The civilian labor force will continue to shrink as students and summer workers withdraw from the labor force. Both civilian employment and payroll employment will decline over-the-month. The bulk of the jobs lost will be concentrated in the non-manufacturing sector, primarily services, government and trade. Normally at this time of the year, automobile assembly workers are laid off as area assembly plants shut down for model retooling. Unemployment is expected to be 4.8 per cent of the labor force in August 1985, compared to 4.6 per cent in July 1985 and 5.3 per cent in August 1984.

Kansas City Area-Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 40,762 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of June 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics		Per Cent
Age:	Under 22	21.3
	22-44	64.7
	45 and over	14.0
Sex:	Male	57.0
	Female	40.4
Racial or Ethnic Group		
	Black	30.5
	Other Non-White	1.2
	Hispanic	2.1
Miscellaneous Characteristics		Per Cent
	Unemployment Insurance Claimants	38.3
	Veterans	17.6
	Handicapped	2.1

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated May 31, 1985.

Job Placements:

During June 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 9,176 and job placements totaled 2,208. There were 1,383 veteran referrals in June 1985, with 277 veteran placements. During May 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 9,830 and job placements totaled 2,157. There were 1,559 veteran referrals in May 1985, with 338 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated May 31, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only) June 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	14.4	17.5	15.9
25-34	39.6	33.6	36.8
35-44	22.4	23.6	22.9
45-54	12.8	14.6	13.6
55-64	9.8	8.5	9.2
65 and over	0.9	2.0	1.4
Unreported	0.1	0.2	0.2

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.4
Mining	0.2
Construction	9.4
Manufacturing	22.9
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	7.8
Wholesale & Retail Trade	21.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4.0
Services	28.6
All Other	5.7
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	12.4
Clerical	18.9
Sales	4.4
Services	14.6
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.4
Processing	1.8
Machine Trades	5.7
Bench Work	6.7
Structural Work	8.5
Miscellaneous	16.0
Information not available	10.6

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 5,853; 3,140 were male and 2,713 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: **Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas** **Month and Year of Current:** **June, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	679,800	677,600	673,500	+2,200	+6,300
Total Manufacturing	121,400	121,200	119,900	+200	+1,500
Durable Goods	68,800	68,800	68,400	0	+400
Lumber & Furniture	3,400	3,400	3,400	0	0
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,800	3,800	3,900	0	-100
Primary Metal Industries	3,900	3,900	4,100	0	-200
Fabricated Metal Products	10,000	9,900	9,400	+100	+600
Machinery Except Electrical	7,300	7,700	8,500	100	-1,200
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,500	21,300	20,300	+200	+1,200
Transportation Equipment	15,200	15,000	15,000	+200	+200
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(15,000)	(14,800)	(14,800)	(+200)	(+200)
Other Durable Goods	3,700	3,800	3,800	-100	-100
Nondurable Goods	52,600	52,400	51,500	+200	+1,100
Food & Kindred Products	10,000	9,800	9,600	0	0
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,700	2,700	2,700	0	0
Paper & Allied Products	5,500	5,400	5,600	+100	-100
Printing & Publishing	19,900	20,000	19,800	-100	+100
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,800	8,800	8,300	0	+500
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,100	5,000	4,900	0	+200
Total Nonmanufacturing	558,400	556,400	553,600	+2,000	+4,800
Mining & Quarrying	800	700	700	+100	+100
Construction	30,000	28,500	28,200	+1,500	+1,800
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	51,800	51,800	51,700	0	+100
Wholesale & Retail Trade	170,500	169,700	172,300	+300	-1,800
Wholesale Trade	(53,700)	(53,100)	(53,200)	(+600)	(+500)
Retail Trade	(116,800)	(116,600)	(119,100)	(+200)	(-2,300)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	50,600	50,000	50,110	+600	+500
Services	152,100	150,700	149,300	+1,400	+2,800
Government	104,300	102,600	105,000	-2,400	+1,300
Federal Government	(29,100)	(29,300)	(28,600)	(-200)	(+500)
State & Local Government	(73,500)	(75,700)	(72,700)	(-2,200)	(+800)
In Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	100	0	0

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas **Month and Year of Current Data: June, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$454.37	$454.53	$442.21	41.8	41.7	41.6	$10.87	$10.90	$10.63
Durable Goods	492.80	491.21	475.02	42.3	42.2	42.0	11.65	11.64	11.31
Lumber & Furniture	318.86	299.49	333.63	41.9	39.2	42.5	7.61	7.64	7.85
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	525.67	508.13	493.20	41.1	40.2	40.0	12.79	12.64	12.33
Primary Metal Industries	398.58	396.03	517.52	36.5	36.2	42.7	10.92	10.94	12.12
Fabricated Metal Products	389.34	382.94	361.43	41.2	41.0	39.5	9.45	9.34	9.15
Machinery Exc. Electrical	396.86	440.21	407.03	42.4	43.2	39.1	9.36	10.19	10.41
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	461.76	463.14	442.26	40.9	41.5	42.2	11.29	11.16	10.48
Transportation Equipment	699.47	694.04	651.95	46.6	46.3	45.4	15.01	14.99	14.36
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(703.77)	(698.32)	(656.50)	(46.7)	(46.4)	(45.5)	(15.07)	(15.05)	(14.43)
Other Durable Goods	274.54	381.86	234.36	36.9	38.4	37.2	7.44	7.34	6.30
Nondurable Goods	390.04	389.09	387.04	41.1	40.7	41.0	9.49	9.56	9.44
Food & Kindred Products	422.44	422.86	416.36	42.8	42.8	44.2	9.87	9.88	9.42
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	183.48	180.49	195.31	33.3	33.3	36.1	5.51	5.42	5.41
*Paper & Allied Products	391.81	400.03	373.84	41.2	41.8	41.4	9.51	9.57	9.03
Printing & Publishing	391.95	392.03	424.86	39.0	38.7	38.8	10.05	10.13	10.95
Chemicals & Allied Products	499.46	488.35	463.95	45.2	42.8	42.1	11.05	11.41	11.02
Petroleum & Coal Products	397.49	380.42	405.17	39.2	38.7	41.9	10.14	9.83	9.67
Other Nondurable Goods	307.75	309.54	295.11	41.7	42.0	41.8	7.38	7.37	7.06

* This series excludes industry 2771.

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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

June, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate increased from 7.9% in May to 8.3% in June. Unemployment stood at 101,000, an increase of 6,100 over the month. Total employment also continued to increase. Employment was 1,117,900, an increase of 10,800 since May. Unemployment increased because of students looking for work, the continuing stagnant performance of most manufacturing sectors and the unusual rainy conditions during June holding down employment levels in construction and the outdoor amusement and recreation service sector. Although employment continues at record high levels, unemployment is again above year ago totals. Unemployment in June 1984 was 95,000 and the rate was 8.0%. Total employment increased by 25,200 during the same period. There were 100 labor disputants in June and May and 700 in June, 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing increased by 1200 over the month. The aircraft industry added 900 workers, a seasonal increase for the month. Lumber and furniture and the beverage sector also experienced small seasonal gains, each up by 100. Primary metals (-200) and other nondurables (-100) continued to lose employees. Over the year, manufacturing declined by 1000. Significant emmployment decreases occurred in primary metals (-1400), leather (-700), and other nondurables (-700). The aircraft industry continued to register improvement. Employment in this sector is up 1,700 over 1984 levels. Two other industries reporting substantial gains were lumber (+600) and electrical equipment (+500).

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing employment declined by 200 over the month. Unusual wet weather conditions caused construction employment to decline by 800. The rain also held down service employment (amusement and recreation) below expected levels. Seasonal gains occurred in retail trade, mostly in restaurants, and real estate. The seasonal lay off of non-teaching school personnel during the summer caused state and local government employment to decline by 4200. Over the year, nonmanufacturing has added 11,100 workers. Continued improvement was reported in trade (+7100), service (+4200), and finance, insurance and real estate (+1600). Declines occurred in state and local government (-2200), construction (-900), and railroads (-400).

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 900 in June, from May. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 700 and in the Illinois portion they were up 200.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.
INA	2	4	3	4
Agriculture	91	51	24	28
Mining	34	20	29	19
Constructin	2792	1633	1239	1471
Manufacturing Total	5376	5590	4856	4654
Food	439	409	353	336
Textile	19	24	24	18
Apparel	138	223	377	212
Lumber	45	44	19	31
Furniture	78	70	94	90
Paper	125	116	133	107
Printing	171	187	167	171
Chemicals	139	150	144	215
Petroleum	15	18	19	16
Rubber	211	207	155	138
Leather	293	370	360	330
Stone	99	85	77	78
Primary Metal	228	207	178	182
Fabricated Metal	551	563	529	449
Machinery	147	153	107	107
Electrtical Machinery	239	331	256	369
Transportation Equip.	1714	1696	1194	1107
Instruments	39	37	30	25
Miscellaneous	683	694	638	670
Public Utilities	921	915	672	862
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2683	2337	2150	2172
Finance	289	277	272	310
Services	6045	5510	5278	5262
All Other	226	206	237	217
TOTAL	18459	16543	14750	14999

Of the 14,999 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in June, 1985, 57.8 percent were male and 42.2 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Mar.	Apr.	May	Jun.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1672	1592	1607	1590
Clerical	2302	2268	2147	2250
Sales	670	627	690	615
Farm, Fish & Forest	254	146	83	77
Processing	323	308	304	272
Machine Trades	1344	1368	1243	1206
Bench Work	891	941	950	860
Structural Work	2328	1841	1486	1474
Misc. Work	2326	2067	1750	1822
Domestic	43	31	33	29
Other Services	2605	2269	2212	2193
INA	3701	3085	2345	2611
TOTAL	18459	16543	14750	14999

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1984 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	44.9	13.7	22.2	38.3	2.0
Placements, %	43.0	13.9	35.0	37.1	2.1

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1985 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	4.9	1.8
Clerical	17.6	14.3
Sales	15.1	17.8
Processing	1.3	1.6
Machine Trades	4.7	4.2
Bench Work	4.0	4.3
Structural Work	10.8	12.2
Motor Freight & Trans.	3.5	3.3
Packaging & Material Handling	9.3	12.7
Domestic	1.1	1.0
Other Services	26.1	25.3
Other Occupations	1.6	1.5

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in July, 1985 is expected to be 8.0% and in August, 7.8%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area **Month and Year of Current:** June, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,063,200	1,062,200	1,053,100	+1,000	+10,100
Percent Change				+(0.1)	+(1.0)
Manufacturing	228,200	227,000	229,200	+1,200	-1,000
Durable Goods	144,900	144,000	144,500	+900	+400
Lumber & Furniture	5,300	5,200	4,700	+100	+600
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,500	3,600	3,700	-100	-200
Primary Metal Industries	14,400	14,600	15,800	-200	-1,400
Fabricated Metal Products	17,500	17,600	17,800	0	-300
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,900	18,900	19,100	0	-200
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,200	15,100	14,700	+100	+500
Transportation Equipment	56,800	55,900	55,400	+900	+1,400
Motor Vehicles	18,900	18,900	18,700	0	+200
Aircraft & Parts	37,200	36,300	35,500	+900	+1,700
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,300	13,200	13,300	+100	0
Nondurable Goods	83,300	83,000	84,700	+300	-1,400
Food & Kindred Products	21,300	21,200	21,800	+100	-500
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,500	8,400	8,600	+100	-100
Textiles & Apparel	6,700	6,800	6,900	0	-200
Paper & Paper Products	5,900	5,700	5,800	+200	+100
Printing & Publishing	16,800	16,700	16,600	+100	+200
Chemical & Allied Products	20,600	20,600	20,200	0	+400
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,600	4,600	5,300	0	-700
Other Nondurable Goods	5,000	5,100	5,700	-100	-700
Nonmanufacturing	835,000	835,200	823,900	-200	+11,100
Mining	3,600	3,600	3,500	0	+100
Construction	49,600	50,400	50,500	-800	-900
Transportation & Public Utilities	74,800	74,400	74,300	+400	+500
Railroads	7,300	7,300	7,700	0	-400
Transportation, Except Railroads	39,700	39,700	39,300	0	+400
Communications & Public Utilities	27,800	27,400	27,300	+400	+500
Wholesale & Retail Trade	253,500	251,500	246,400	+2,000	+7,100
Wholesale Trade	65,400	65,100	64,200	+300	+200
Retail Trade	188,100	186,400	181,200	+1,700	+6,900
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	64,500	63,500	62,900	+1,000	+1,600
Service, Except Domestic	253,300	252,500	249,100	+800	+4,200
Total Government	135,700	139,300	137,200	-3,600	-1,500
Total Federal Government	38,700	38,100	38,000	+600	+700
Total State & Local Government	98,000	101,200	99,200	-4,200	-2,200
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	700	0	-600

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: **St. Louis Metropolitan Area** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **June, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$445.61	$441.10	$438.95	40.4	40.1	41.1	$11.03	$11.00	$10.68
Durable Goods	466.99	461.54	464.78	41.0	40.7	42.1	11.39	11.34	11.04
Lumber & Furniture	350.64	343.17	339.49	41.3	41.0	41.3	8.49	8.37	8.22
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	375.61	401.94	445.20	37.3	38.5	42.4	10.07	10.44	10.50
Primary Metal Industries	487.04	470.83	450.93	41.1	39.8	39.8	11.85	11.83	11.33
Fabricated Metal Products	428.90	427.66	419.00	41.6	41.2	41.2	10.31	10.38	10.17
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	434.41	436.61	455.36	39.6	39.8	41.7	10.97	10.97	10.92
Elect & Electronic Equip.	324.82	312.34	309.67	40.3	38.8	39.1	8.06	8.05	7.92
Transportation Equipment	591.07	588.32	590.76	42.8	43.1	45.2	13.81	13.65	13.07
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	292.93	281.16	284.95	36.8	36.0	38.3	7.96	7.81	7.44
Nondurable Goods	408.58	404.82	394.00	39.4	39.0	39.4	10.37	10.38	10.00
Food & Kindred Products	487.60	493.23	499.80	40.0	40.1	40.7	12.19	12.30	12.28
Textiles & Apparel	200.07	199.73	205.13	34.2	34.2	36.5	5.85	5.84	5.62
Paper & Paper Products	407.43	424.27	417.77	40.3	41.8	40.6	10.11	10.15	10.29
Printing & Publishing	403.39	388.36	381.20	38.9	38.0	38.7	10.37	10.22	9.85
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	477.57	467.90	425.62	41.6	40.9	39.3	11.48	11.44	10.83
Petroleum & Coal Products	605.64	607.11	612.45	41.2	41.3	43.1	14.70	14.70	14.21
Leather & Leather Products	189.04	189.22	195.30	35.4	35.5	37.2	5.34	5.33	5.25
Other Nondurable Goods	305.56	291.69	303.81	40.1	37.3	40.4	7.62	7.82	7.52

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)

June, 1985

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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The number of jobless in the Springfield MSA dropped from 6,700 in May to 6,400 in June. The rate of unemployment fell three-tenths of a percentage point from May to 5.4 percent in June. This decrease was somewhat unexpected as the entry of students into the labor force usually pushes the rate of unemployment up in June. Total employment, estimated at 112,700, was down 300 from May.

During June 1984, there were 5,900 persons unemployed and the rate of unemployment stood at 5.1 percent of the labor force.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment in June totaled 94,100, down 1,500 from May. Manufacturing jobs and nonmanufacturing jobs fell 100 and 1,400 respectively.

Manufacturing employment, estimated at 19,000, stands at the lowest level since August, 1983 when 18,900 persons were engaged in factory work.

Nonmanufacturing jobs were off from 76,500 in May to 75,100 in June. This drop is seasonal in nature and reflects a reduction in the number of workers at educational institutions after the school term ended. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant changes in employment levels since May include: construction, up 100; trade, up 200; services, down 300; and government, down 1,400.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose from $8.65 in May to $8.73 in June. This jump resulted mostly from a decrease in the proposition of lower paid workers. Average weekly hours rose from 38.9 in May to 39.3 in June.

During June 1984, hourly wages averaged $8.11 and the factory work week averaged 41.5 hours.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)

(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: **Springfield, Missouri**

Month and Year of Current: **June, 1985**

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, (a) Employment (Exc. Domestics)	94,100	95,600	93,900	-1,500	+200
Manufacturing	19,000	19,100	20,000	-100	-1,000
Durable Goods	9,700	9,900	10,700	-200	-1,000
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	900	0	0
Other Durable Goods	8,800	9,000	9,800	-200	-1,000
Nondurable Goods	9,300	9,200	9,300	+100	0
Food Processing	3,900	3,900	3,800	0	+100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,700	3,900	+100	-100
Nonmanufacturing	75,100	76,500	73,900	-1,400	+1,200
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,700	3,600	3,400	+100	+300
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	5,900	6,200	0	-300
Trade	26,600	26,400	26,200	+200	+400
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,300	0	+100
Services	22,800	23,100	22,500	-300	+300
Government	11,600	13,000	11,200	-1,400	+400
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	9,900	11,300	9,500	-1,400	+400
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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Employment and Unemployment Outlook

Payrolled employment is expected to show a slight increase in July. The number of unemployed persons and the rate of unemployment will probably edge upward in July. This rise should be considered artificial in nature and will mostly reflect workers not eligible for vacation pay who are on short term lay-off during the vacation shut down.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: June, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$343.09	$336.49	$339.89	39.3	38.9	41.5	$8.73	$8.65	$8.19
Durable Goods	336.08	329.09	340.17	39.4	38.9	43.5	8.53	8.46	7.82
Nondurable Goods	353.58	346.10	339.07	39.2	38.8	38.4	9.02	8.92	8.83
Food & Kindred Products	375.65	371.45	362.55	39.5	39.6	38.9	9.51	9.38	9.32
Other Nondurable Goods	350.80	329.95	326.51	40.0	38.5	38.1	8.77	8.66	8.57

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Missouri Labor Market Review

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Missouri total employment continued to climb in July, and the unemployment rate edged down four-tenths of a point to 6.3 percent.

The estimate of state total employment increased by 5800 to 2,338,500, despite the usual seasonal tendency to decrease slightly in July. Nonfarm payroll employment did follow the usual seasonal movements, declining over the month by 19,300 jobs, most of which occurred in state and local government with the closing of schools and colleges for the summer. There was also a decrease in durable goods manufacturing, primarily in motor vehicles and equipment manufacturing as some auto plants experienced model changeover layoffs. Nonagricultural wage and salary employment was estimated to have been 2,032,500 in July, with 429,200 jobs in manufacturing and 1,603,300 in non manufacturing.

The number of unemployed Missourians decreased by 8500 from June's level, falling to 158,500. A slight decrease in unemployment is normal after the initial runup in June, but this July's drop is somewhat larger than usual.

Compared to a year ago, total employment has shown unusually rapid growth, with the total having climbed by 113,800. Much of this growth has occurred in 1985, as the estimates have climbed steadily since the seasonal low point in January. Of course, seasonal trends alone usually involve considerable growth during this part of the year, but in every month the total employment estimates have increased by more than the expected seasonal amount.

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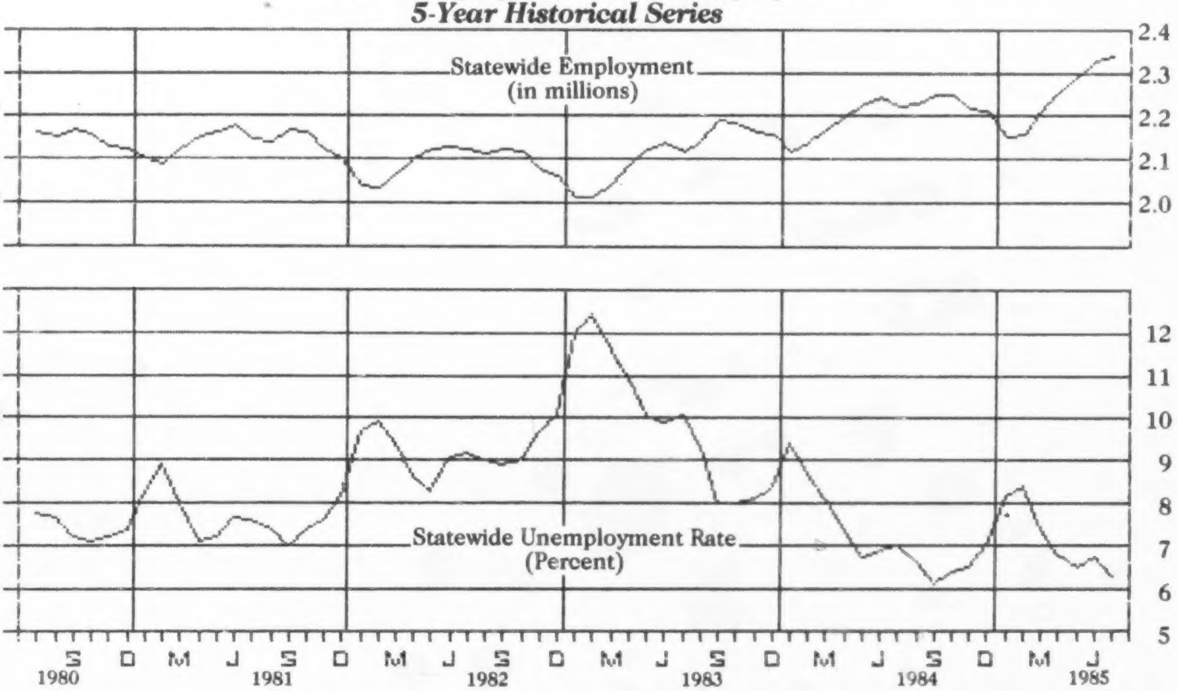

Table 1

MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - JUL 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - JUN 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - JUL 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
STATEWIDE	2496993	2338464	158529	6.3	2499709	2332669	167040	6.7	2392386	2224667	167719	7.0
ST. LOUIS MSA	1218271	1128477	89794	7.4	1221766	1119367	102399	8.4	1178055	1085611	92444	7.8
KANSAS CITY MSA	776952	742225	34727	4.5	773239	737379	35860	4.6	740797	701453	39344	5.3
SPRINGFIELD MSA	119743	114179	5564	4.6	119247	112802	6445	5.4	117536	111591	5945	5.1
COLUMBIA MSA	60847	58541	2306	3.8	60748	58160	2588	4.3	57547	55110	2437	4.2
JOPLIN MSA	62164	58239	3925	6.3	62125	58170	3955	6.4	58242	54054	4188	7.2
ST. JOSEPH MSA	42924	39955	2969	6.9	42437	39489	2948	6.9	42994	39672	3322	7.7
ADAIR/SCHUYLER LMA	15666	14738	928	5.9	16058	15277	781	4.9	15919	14835	1084	6.8
ANDREW	6465	6192	273	4.2	6541	6250	291	4.4	6320	5896	424	6.7
ATCHISON	4072	3871	201	4.9	4234	4030	204	4.8	4413	4056	357	8.1
AUDRAIN	11119	10173	946	8.5	11338	10333	1005	8.9	11063	10403	660	6.0
BARRY	12481	11833	648	5.2	12427	11735	692	5.6	11523	10886	637	5.5
BARTON	5630	4880	750	13.3	5297	5120	177	3.3	5261	5063	198	3.8
BATES	7899	7455	444	5.6	8059	7594	465	5.8	7637	7175	462	6.0
BENTON	5958	5575	383	6.4	6099	5751	348	5.7	5461	5101	360	6.6
BOLLINGER	3150	2623	527	16.7	3351	2794	557	16.6	3153	2578	575	18.2
BUTLER	16619	15145	1474	8.9	17045	15601	1444	8.5	16400	14710	1690	10.3
CALDWELL	3655	3475	180	4.9	3803	3609	194	5.1	3607	3408	199	5.5
CALLAWAY	18833	17616	1217	6.5	18792	17556	1236	6.6	18976	17597	1379	7.3
CAMDEN	17493	16766	727	4.2	16420	15706	714	4.3	14335	13704	631	4.4
CAPE GIRARDEAU	32773	30903	1870	5.7	33266	31626	1640	4.9	30465	28435	2030	6.7
CARROLL	4920	4578	342	7.0	4728	4432	296	6.3	4639	4348	291	6.3
CARTER	2759	2361	398	14.4	3127	2880	247	7.9	2820	2575	245	8.7
CEDAR	4651	4256	395	8.5	4725	4383	342	7.2	4553	4143	410	9.0
CHARITON	5317	4924	393	7.4	5206	4933	273	5.2	5144	4774	370	7.2
CLARK	3315	3063	252	7.6	3426	3143	283	8.3	3285	2980	305	9.3
CLINTON	7812	7421	391	5.0	7896	7470	426	5.4	7471	7092	379	5.1
COLE/OSAGE LMA	39175	37023	2152	5.5	39652	37342	2310	5.8	36495	34132	2363	6.5
COOPER	7068	6590	478	6.8	7156	6685	471	6.6	6948	6377	571	8.2
CRAWFORD	8058	7483	575	7.1	8288	7576	712	8.6	7664	7011	653	8.5
DADE	4017	3744	273	6.8	3991	3813	178	4.5	3860	3713	147	3.8
DALLAS	5357	4902	455	8.5	5161	4730	431	8.4	4727	4265	462	9.8
DAVIESS	3336	3172	164	4.9	3292	3135	157	4.8	3227	3019	208	6.4
DEKALB	3832	3631	201	5.2	3835	3635	200	5.2	3347	3141	206	6.2
DENT	6470	5971	499	7.7	6535	6045	490	7.5	5916	5276	640	10.8
DOUGLAS	4984	4252	732	14.7	4944	4363	581	11.8	4679	4245	434	9.3
DUNKLIN	13034	11498	1536	11.8	13355	11909	1446	10.8	13326	11820	1506	11.3
GASCONADE	7340	6934	406	5.5	7171	6742	429	6.0	7349	6808	541	7.4
GENTRY	4558	4430	128	2.8	4189	4044	145	3.5	3919	3765	154	3.9
GRUNDY	5234	4875	359	6.9	5422	5085	337	6.2	5098	4803	295	5.8
HARRISON	5488	5269	219	4.0	5470	5255	215	3.9	5143	4880	263	5.1
HENRY	9913	9192	721	7.3	10170	9492	678	6.7	9535	8944	591	6.2
HICKORY	2871	2715	156	5.4	2857	2682	175	6.1	2466	2300	166	6.7
HOLT	3645	3534	111	3.0	3447	3309	138	4.0	3530	3342	168	5.3
HOWARD	4885	4577	308	6.3	4916	4611	305	6.2	4564	4269	295	6.5
HOWELL	13905	12629	1276	9.2	13802	12553	1249	9.0	13376	11554	1822	13.6
IRON	3783	3231	552	14.6	4025	3384	641	15.9	4386	3768	618	14.1
JOHNSON	15808	15051	757	4.8	16476	15811	665	4.0	14843	14062	781	5.3
KNOX	2506	2324	182	7.3	2475	2305	170	6.9	2507	2271	236	9.4
LACLEDE	12252	10559	1693	13.8	12507	11364	1143	9.1	11451	9657	1794	15.7
LAWRENCE	12817	12070	747	5.8	12823	11985	838	6.5	12229	11356	873	7.1

Table 1
MISSOURI DIVISION OF EMPLOYMENT SECURITY
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE, EMPLOYMENT, UNEMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT RATES - ESTIMATES

COUNTY/LABOR MARKET AREA	CURRENT MONTH - JUL 1985 (PRELIMINARY)				PREVIOUS MONTH - JUN 1985 (REVISED)				ONE YEAR AGO - JUL 1984 (BENCHMARKED 1984)			
	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE	CLF	EMP	UNEMP	RATE
LEWIS	5900	5392	508	8.6	5994	5539	455	7.6	5478	4937	541	9.9
LINCOLN	10977	10148	829	7.6	11426	10424	1002	8.8	10228	9556	672	6.6
LINN	7954	7420	534	6.7	8031	7563	468	5.8	7691	7120	571	7.4
LIVINGSTON	6911	6552	359	5.2	6910	6540	370	5.4	6650	6154	496	7.5
MACON	7489	6713	776	10.4	7594	7121	473	6.2	6927	6227	700	10.1
MADISON	3719	3323	396	10.6	3931	3473	458	11.7	3664	3249	415	11.3
MARIES	3016	2746	270	9.0	3104	2845	259	8.3	2711	2446	265	9.8
MARION/RALLS LMA	19681	18332	1349	6.9	19154	17913	1241	6.5	18461	17087	1374	7.4
MCDONALD	5831	5407	424	7.3	5922	5486	436	7.4	5751	5267	484	8.4
MERCER	1759	1684	75	4.3	1802	1738	64	3.6	1840	1776	64	3.5
MILLER	11532	10808	724	6.3	11941	11143	798	6.7	10704	9969	735	6.9
MISSISSIPPI	6858	6169	689	10.0	7172	6352	820	11.4	6439	5617	822	12.8
MONITEAU	4902	4480	422	8.6	4929	4515	414	8.4	4834	4393	441	9.1
MONROE	4997	4740	257	5.1	4967	4730	237	4.8	5055	4799	256	5.1
MONTGOMERY	5220	4812	408	7.8	5412	5020	392	7.2	5183	4888	295	5.7
MORGAN	6336	5791	545	8.6	6312	5886	426	6.7	6184	5765	419	6.8
NEW MADRID	11646	10587	1059	9.1	11914	10754	1160	9.7	11700	10700	1000	8.5
NODAWAY	10724	10338	386	3.6	10636	10220	416	3.9	10190	9830	360	3.5
OREGON	3009	2614	395	13.1	3068	2645	423	13.8	2992	2510	482	16.1
OZARK	4777	4507	270	5.7	4657	4401	256	5.5	4477	4117	360	8.0
PEMISCOT	8536	7540	996	11.7	8827	7834	993	11.2	8223	7153	1070	13.0
PERRY	7724	7175	549	7.1	7518	7082	436	5.8	7284	6636	648	8.9
PETTIS	17981	16240	1741	9.7	17742	16274	1468	8.3	16501	14888	1613	9.8
PHELPS	15626	14722	904	5.8	15560	14575	985	6.3	14553	13593	960	6.6
PIKE	6952	6331	621	8.9	7375	6612	763	10.3	6978	6321	657	9.4
POLK	9058	8287	771	8.5	9219	8285	934	10.1	8265	7714	551	6.7
PULASKI	9442	8620	822	8.7	9510	8906	604	6.4	8857	8075	782	8.8
PUTNAM	2998	2831	167	5.6	3022	2892	130	4.3	2990	2812	178	6.0
RANDOLPH	12475	11605	870	7.0	12248	11563	685	5.6	11517	10664	853	7.4
REYNOLDS	2214	1846	368	16.6	2339	1962	377	16.1	2351	2018	333	14.2
RIPLEY	3293	2903	390	11.8	3498	3133	365	10.4	2999	2642	357	11.9
SALINE	15056	14255	801	5.3	14778	14132	646	4.4	13761	12733	1028	7.5
SCOTLAND	2475	2388	87	3.5	2558	2444	114	4.5	2343	2248	95	4.1
SCOTT	17808	16120	1688	9.5	18052	16478	1574	8.7	17067	15424	1643	9.6
SHANNON	3008	2558	450	15.0	2986	2518	468	15.7	3120	2673	447	14.3
SHELBY	3510	3351	159	4.5	3421	3273	148	4.3	3347	3164	183	5.5
ST. CLAIR	3891	3701	190	4.9	4049	3835	214	5.3	3776	3568	208	5.5
ST. FRANCOIS	19645	17714	1931	9.8	20401	18515	1886	9.2	20016	17882	2134	10.7
STE. GENEVIEVE	6459	5971	488	7.6	6523	6057	466	7.1	5881	5221	660	11.2
STODDARD	13052	11953	1099	8.4	13538	12482	1056	7.8	12059	10779	1280	10.6
STONE	10172	9424	748	7.4	9992	9292	700	7.0	9219	8603	616	6.7
SULLIVAN	3469	3204	265	7.6	3522	3291	231	6.6	3563	3360	203	5.7
TANEY	20551	19778	773	3.8	18556	17734	822	4.4	16948	16172	776	4.6
TEXAS	7650	6515	1135	14.8	8392	7166	1226	14.6	7556	6424	1132	15.0
VERNON	9983	9546	437	4.4	10002	9608	394	3.9	9249	8829	420	4.5
WARREN	7148	6757	391	5.5	7445	6938	507	6.8	6178	5766	412	6.7
WASHINGTON	4439	3584	855	19.3	4803	3789	1014	21.1	4591	3737	854	18.6
WAYNE	4818	4309	509	10.6	5037	4478	559	11.1	4227	3701	526	12.4
WEBSTER	8351	7477	874	10.5	8822	8103	719	8.2	7618	6541	1077	14.1
WORTH	1180	1146	34	2.9	1205	1161	44	3.7	1093	1028	65	5.9
WRIGHT	7007	6350	657	9.4	7429	6668	761	10.2	7316	6537	779	10.6

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Table 2. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment, Hours and Earnings
Missouri (Statewide)
July, 1985

Industry Title	All Employees (In Thousands)			Production Workers								
				Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Total Non-Agri. Employment	2032.5	2051.8	2008.1									
Total Manufacturing	429.2	435.0	425.5	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA
Durable Goods	246.1	250.4	241.7	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA
Lumber & Wood Products	10.5	10.5	10.6	245.63	236.51	232.06	40.4	38.9	39.2	6.08	6.08	5.92
Furniture & Fixtures	11.1	11.4	10.6	303.47	321.46	309.89	41.8	44.4	41.1	7.26	7.24	7.54
Stone, Clay & Glass Prod.	10.7	10.6	11.4	440.13	445.12	434.47	41.6	42.8	42.1	10.58	10.40	10.32
Cement, Hydraulic	1.0	1.0	0.9	536.45	545.38	561.00	39.1	38.9	40.8	13.72	14.02	13.75
Structural Clay Prod.	2.2	2.2	2.6	424.79	449.31	460.73	36.4	38.7	38.7	11.67	11.61	11.21
Primary Metal Industries	12.8	12.9	14.0	442.49	468.23	411.09	42.8	42.8	42.6	11.09	10.94	9.65
Iron & Steel Foundries	1.8	1.8	2.0	351.51	375.14	312.91	40.6	36.9	36.9	9.13	9.24	8.48
Nonferrous Foundries	3.2	3.2	3.0	289.56	338.12	271.75	36.7	42.8	33.8	7.89	7.90	8.04
Fabricated Metal Products	28.6	28.7	27.7	398.77	393.54	390.19	41.8	41.6	40.9	9.54	9.46	9.54
Fabricated Structural Metal Prod.	11.2	11.0	10.5	380.38	376.41	362.69	41.8	41.5	39.9	9.10	9.07	9.09
Machinery Exc. Electrical	31.8	31.3	32.8	402.60	400.41	391.25	40.3	40.9	39.6	9.99	9.79	9.88
Electrical & Electronic Equipment	51.1	52.0	49.5	360.24	379.49	351.51	38.0	40.5	39.1	9.48	9.37	8.99
Transportation Equipment	70.8	74.1	66.2	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA	DNA
Motor Vehicles & Equip.	30.2	33.9	27.9	606.54	624.69	565.97	44.5	45.3	44.6	13.63	13.79	12.69
Instruments & Related Prod.	11.6	11.7	11.8	281.12	277.43	312.40	38.3	37.9	40.0	7.34	7.32	7.81
Misc. Mfg. Inds.	7.1	7.2	7.1	247.15	249.87	260.37	38.2	38.5	37.9	6.47	6.49	6.87
Nondurable Goods	183.1	184.6	183.8	376.10	335.23	326.82	39.3	39.3	39.0	8.57	8.53	8.38
Food & Kindred Products	44.5	44.3	44.4	386.11	384.89	381.90	40.6	40.6	40.2	9.51	9.48	9.50
Meat Products & Preserved Fruits & Vegetables	11.8	11.9	11.4	254.67	249.99	255.44	39.0	39.0	37.4	6.53	6.41	6.83
Dairy Products	6.2	6.2	6.5	398.04	431.26	387.52	42.8	45.3	44.8	9.30	9.52	8.65
Grain Mill Products	7.0	6.9	7.0	423.85	403.35	417.32	41.8	39.7	41.9	10.14	10.16	9.96
Bakery Products	5.2	5.2	5.4	384.29	381.62	380.63	38.2	38.2	37.5	10.06	9.99	10.15
Beverages	10.4	10.3	10.0	601.29	597.63	596.96	41.1	40.6	41.6	14.63	14.72	14.35

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Industry Title	All Employees			Production Workers								
	(In Thousands)			Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago	Curr. Mo.	Prev. Mo.	1 Yr. Ago
Other Food & Kindred	4.0	3.9	4.2	412.68	421.61	393.73	42.5	43.6	40.3	9.71	9.67	9.77
Textile & Apparel	23.0	24.5	24.1	194.22	195.41	179.23	35.9	35.4	34.6	5.41	5.52	5.18
Paper & Allied Products	13.7	13.9	13.1	378.54	377.40	365.71	40.1	40.8	40.1	9.44	9.25	9.12
Paperboard Cont. & Boxes	7.0	7.8	6.7	385.69	397.00	362.46	40.9	42.1	39.1	9.43	9.43	9.27
Printing & Publishing	40.4	40.4	39.7	373.92	380.77	368.05	38.0	38.5	38.1	9.84	9.89	9.66
Commercial Printing	12.9	12.9	12.5	421.05	433.20	438.98	40.1	40.6	40.2	10.50	10.67	10.92
Chemicals & Allied	30.0	29.8	29.2	448.63	452.10	456.46	40.6	41.1	42.9	11.05	11.00	10.64
Leather & Leather Products	18.1	18.2	19.8	208.67	204.50	197.25	38.5	37.8	36.8	5.42	5.41	5.36
Footwear Exc. Rubber	14.7	14.7	15.9	204.29	200.34	188.96	38.4	37.8	36.2	5.32	5.30	5.22
Total Nonmanufacturing	1603.3	1616.8	1582.6									
Mining	6.6	6.5	5.8									
Construction	87.1	84.8	84.5									
Transportation & Public Util.	134.3	134.5	132.4									
Railroad Transportation	12.7	12.7	13.0									
Transportation (Exc. R.R.)	69.2	69.6	66.9									
Communications	52.3	52.2	52.6									
Wholesale & Retail Trade	490.1	489.7	483.2									
Wholesale Trade	130.9	131.0	131.3									
Retail Trade	359.2	358.7	351.9									
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	117.3	116.9	115.6									
Services	450.4	449.4	443.4									
Government	317.5	335.0	313.7									
Federal Government	70.8	71.0	69.8									
State & Local Government	246.7	264.0	244.0									

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A note of caution in interpreting this growth should be sounded by the fact that the nonfarm payroll employment estimates are pointing toward much slower growth. Compared to a year ago, this establishment-based estimate of employment has grown by only 24,400 jobs, primarily in retail trade, services, and transportation equipment manufacturing. Additionally, national employment growth has moderated considerably as over the past year, so there does not seem to be sufficient overall impetus in the economy to be propelling Missouri employment upward at such rapid rates. All the current data are subject to revisions, which may show more uniform rates of employment growth.

Unemployment dropped by 9200 between July 1984 and July 1985, and the rate fell by seven-tenths of a percentage point from the year earlier rate of 7 percent. The civilian labor force was estimated to be 2,497,000 in July, down slightly from June's 2,499,700, but up by 104,600 from July 1984.

NATIONAL ECONOMIC AND LABOR MARKET CONDITIONS

National seasonally adjusted unemployment remained at 7.3 percent of the civilian labor force for the sixth straight month in July. Total civilian employment was about the same in July as in May, on a seasonally adjusted basis. The estimate increased by nearly half a million between June and July, erasing the estimated decrease of similar magnitude which took place in the previous month. Seasonal the summer of labor force data may cause erratic movements in the summer months, primarily because of changing patterns of labor force participation of youth and other summer workers.

Compared to a year ago, total civilian employment has increased by about 1,370,000, or 1.3 percent. In the same time period, estimated nonfarm payroll employment grew by 3,126,000 jobs, or 3.3 percent. This situation of payroll employment growing substantially more rapidly than household-based employment remains unusual and is the opposite of the Missouri situation, where estimated household employment is growing much more rapidly than payroll employment estimates.

The rate of growth of the economy in the second quarter has been revised upward slightly to an annual rate of 2 percent, from the previously estimated 1.7 percent rate. Even the higher rate reflects a below average rate of growth. Many analysts do not expect much of an increase from the second quarter's performance in the current quarter, despite a large gain in the index of leading economic indicators in June. The volatility of this index is such that one-month movements are not necessarily indicative of future trends in the economy.

OUTLOOK

The outlook for Missouri employment and unemployment is somewhat unclear. The trend has been for moderate decreases in unemployent, and there seems no reason for this to be reversed in the near future. The employment situation is less clear. As described above, estimated total employment has been increasing exceptionally rapidly, at a time when national economic conditions have not been conducive to such growth. It seems unlikely that such growth will continue indefinitely. A more likely course is that a return to a more moderate path, such as that displayed by nonagricultural wage and salary employment, will eventually take place. In any event, seasonal conditions should be predominant in the next few months, with unemployment bottoming out and employment peaking in September.

Table 3. Selected Economic Statistics Related
To Manpower Developments
Missouri — July, 1985

Item	Current Mo. (Preliminary)	1 Mo. Ago (Revised)	1Yr. Ago (Revised)	Net Change To Current Month From:	
				1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Civilian Labor Force (No. of Workers)	2,497,000	2,499,700	2,392,400	-2,700	104,600
Total Employed	2,338,500	2,332,700	2,224,700	5,800	113,800
Total Unemployed	158,500	167,000	167,700	-8,500	-9,200
Unemployment Rate (% of CLF)	6.3	6.7	7.0	-0.4	-0.7
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment Except Comestics (No. of Jobs)	2,032,500	2,051,800	2,008,100	-19,300	24,400
Manufacturing	429,200	435,000	425,500	-5,800	3,700
Durable Goods	246,100	250,400	241,700	-4,300	4,400
Nondurable Goods	183,100	184,600	183,800	-1,500	-700
Nonmanufacturing	1,603,300	1,616,800	1,582,600	-13,500	20,700
State Initial Claims (Wkly Avg.)	8,769	7,612	8,402	1,157	4,708
State Insured Unemployment (Wkly Avg.)	41,785	37,750	37,077	4,035	4,708
Insured Unemployment Rate	2.3	2.2	2.3	0.1	0.0
Exhaustions (State U.I.)	3,543	3,135	3,536	408	7
Amount of Benefits Paid	$14,582,168	$13,213,819	$10,827,583	$1,368,349	$3,754,585
State U.I.	14,315,791	12,979,786	10,591,192	1,336,005	3,724,599
UCFE	127,182	110,099	115,477	17,083	11,705
UCX	139,195	123,934	120,914	15,261	18,281

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Kansas City Labor Market Review

The Kansas City Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) includes Jackson, Cass, Clay, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri and Johnson, Wyandotte, Leavenworth and Miami counties in Kansas. The 1980 population for the MSA has been published at 1,433,458 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

July, 1985

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The area's unemployment rate dropped a tenth of a percentage point to 4.5 per cent of the labor force in July 1985. After a temporary increase in June, the number of jobless workers declined by 1,200 in July 1985 to 34,700 unemployed. The number of jobless fell over-the-year by 4,600 from the July 1984 total of 39,300. Both civilian employment and the civilian labor force continued to climb in 1985, surpassing June's levels by 4,800 and 3,800 respectively. Employment growth over-the-month was concentrated in the non-manufacturing and non-payroll sectors such as agriculture and self-employed. Compared to a year ago employment has increased by 40,700 workers, while the civilian labor force has expanded by over 36,000. Both the civilian employment and labor force totals represent 1985 high points for the 10-county area.

Wage and salaried employment in July 1985 was 677,600, down by 3,500 from the June 1985 total of 681,100. The short term layoff of 3,400 workers in transportation equipment, as a result of area automobile assembly plant shutting down for retooling, and the closing of local schools, which laid off 3,300 workers, accounted for almost 90 per cent of the total 7,500 payroll jobs lost over-the-month. Seasonal employment increases in non-manufacturing, which partially offset the month's job losses, reduced the net job decline to only 3,500 for the month. In addition to major losses in transportation equipment and local government, minor losses of 400 jobs were recorded in primary metals, apparel and paper combined. In non-manufacturing, continued layoffs of tax processors in Federal government and a small loss in transportation, communications and utilities together accounted for a moderate loss of 300 jobs. Across all sectors a total of 7,500 payroll jobs were lost over-the-month.

The major increses in employment occurred in the non-manufacturing sector. The services, led by business services and the recreation and tourist related industries, added 1,000 jobs, the smallest monthly increase since the winter slump. the construction industry added another 900 jobs over-the-month, primarily in special trades and somewhat less in non-building construction. Wholesale and retail trade combined added 900 jobs to the month's total, with department stores contributing the bulk of the increase. A minor increase was also recorded in finance, insurance and real estate. Elsewhere among the manufacturing industries, machinery registered an increase of 400 jobs, as construction machinery workers temporarily laid off in June returned to work. Other minor increases in food, printing, stone, clay and glass and chemicals together added 600 jobs.

Wage and salaried employment increased by 10,600 from July 1984 to July 1985, with declines of 2,700 in durable goods manufacturing, gains of 900 in non-durable goods manufacturing and gains of 12,400 in non-manufacturing. July marks the first month in 1985 that employment levels in manufacturing have fallen below 1984 levels. All of the declines occurred in the durable goods manufacturing sector, led by transportation equipment which fell below last July's level by 3,300 jobs. The poor showing of machinery in 1985 compared to 1984 continued for the seventh consecutive month despite some recent advances. Much of the decline of 700 jobs was concentrated in construction and industrial machinery. Other industries recording lower levels in July 1985 than last year in July were primary metals and other durables which combined were down by 500 jobs. The only industry recording a significant increase over year ago figures was electrical equipment which topped last July's total by 1,100 jobs. Communication equipment alone added 1,700 jobs, while electronics, among other sectors, with losses of 600 held the total in electrical equipment down to 1,100. All other manufacturing industries held steady or registered moderate growth over year ago levels.

With the exception of retail trade, which recorded its fifth consecutive month of employment levels below 1984 highs, most other non-manufacturing industries were substantially higher than last year. The weak showing in retail trade occurred primarily in apparel and miscellaneous retailers, including non-store retailers; together these accounted for 1,100 fewer jobs than last year. Later school closings than occurred last year and increased employment in city and state government accounted for 6,500 or 52 per cent of the jobs added over-the-year. Increases in services, led by business and medical services and scattered broadly among the other services industries, accounted for 3,100 jobs of the 12,400 jobs added in the sector. The third top job producer over-the-year was construction with 2,200 jobs added, primarily in the special trades contracting industry. Moderate advances of 500 jobs were also posted in finance, insurance and real estate and 700 jobs in Federal government. Smaller increases were noted in the remaining non-manufacturing sectors.

Total unemployment on a place-of-residence basis was 34,700 in July 1985 for 4.5 per cent of the labor force, compared to 35,900 in June 1985 for 4.6 per cent of the labor force and 39,300 in July 1984 for 5.3 per cent of the labor force.

EMPLOYMENT AND UNEMPLOYMENT FORECAST

The area's labor market conditions in August 1985 are expected to be mixed. Nationwide and local area strikes in several sectors and reported layoffs are expected to hold area employment advances down. Continued retooling for 1986 models in area auto assembly plants and a slow down in the seasonal Continued retooling for 1986 models in area auto assembly plants and a slow down in the seasonal industries will also prevent major advances in area employment. The civlian labor force will continue to shink as students and summer workers drop out in preparation for the upcoming school term. Unemployment is expected to be 4.6 per cent of the labor force in August 1985, compared to 4.5 per cent in July 1985 and 5.5 per cent in August 1984.

The area's unemployment rate will fall in September 1985 as area schools begin their fall session and local auto assemblers complete model changeovers. Some seasonal losses in services and other non-school state and local government are expected. More layoffs and the threat of strikes may prevent the rate from falling as steeply as it usually does at this time of the year. Unemployment is expected to be 4.3 per cent of the labor force in September 1985, compared to 4.8 per cent in September 1984.

Kansas City Area-Missouri Job Service Statistics

Latest available data from the Employment Service Automated Reporting System (ESARS) indicated 40,762 applicants in the active file for Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area at the end of July 1985. Breakdowns of the figure according to applicant characteristics are as follows:

General Characteristics	Per Cent
Age: Under 22	20.4
22-44	64.6
45 and over	15.0
Sex: Male	58.8
Female	41.2
Racial or Ethnic Group	
Black	33.3
Other Non-White	1.2
Hispanic	2.1
Miscellaneous Characteristics	Per Cent
Unemployment Insurance Claimants	40.0
Veterans	19.7
Handicapped	2.3

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 91, dated July 31, 1985.

Job Placements:

During July 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service Offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 10,561 and job placements totaled 2,536. There were 1,396 veteran referrals in July 1985, with 301 veteran placements. During June 1985, referrals to jobs by Missouri Job Service offices in the Kansas City Area totaled 9,176 and job placements totaled 2,208. There were 1,383 veteran referrals in June 1985, with 277 veteran placements.

SOURCE: SMSA 3760, ESARS Table 90, dated July 31, 1985.

Characteristics of the Insured Unemployed in the Kansas City Area (Missouri Side Only)
July 1985

Insured Unemployed by Age and Sex

Age	Male Per Cent	Female Per Cent	Total Per Cent
Under 25	14.8	16.0	15.4
25-34	39.5	34.2	37.0
35-44	22.2	23.0	22.5
45-54	13.3	15.9	14.6
55-64	9.4	9.0	9.2
65 and over	0.8	1.8	1.3
Unreported	0.0	0.1	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Industry (SIC)

Industry	Per Cent
Agricultural	0.3
Mining	0.3
Construction	7.4
Manufacturing	24.6
Transportation, Communications & Utilities	8.5
Wholesale & Retail Trade	20.0
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	3.6
Services	30.7
All Other	4.6
Information not available	0.0

Insured Unemployed by Occupation (DOT)

Occupation	Per Cent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	13.1
Clerical	19.7
Sales	4.5
Services	14.2
Farming, Forestry & Fishing	0.3
Processing	1.6
Machine Trades	5.9
Bench Work	6.7
Structural Work	7.6
Miscellaneous	16.0
Information not available	10.4

The number of insured unemployed counted for the above percentages was 6,294; 3,272 were male and 3,022 were female.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March 1984)

Area and State: Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas

Month and Year of Current: July, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonagricultural Wage & Salaried Employment	677,600	681,100	677,000	-3,500	+10,600
Total Manufacturing	118,200	121,100	120,000	-2,900	-1,800
Durable Goods	65,400	68,500	68,100	-3,100	-2,700
Lumber & Furniture	3,400	3,400	3,300	0	+100
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	3,900	3,800	3,900	+100	0
Primary Metal Industries	3,600	3,800	4,000	-200	-400
Fabricated Metal Products	10,000	10,000	9,400	0	+600
Machinery Except Electrical	7,700	7,300	8,400	+400	-700
Electrical Equipment & Supplies	21,400	21,400	20,300	0	+1,100
Transportation Equipment	11,700	15,100	15,000	-3,400	-3,300
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(11,500)	(15,000)	(14,800)	(-3,500)	(-3,300)
Other Durable Goods	3,700	3,700	3,800	0	-100
Nondurable Goods	52,800	52,600	51,900	+200	+900
Food & Kindred Products	10,100	9,900	9,800	+200	+300
Apparel & Other Textile Products	2,600	2,600	2,600	-100	0
Paper & Allied Products	5,500	5,600	5,500	-100	0
Printing & Publishing	20,100	19,900	20,800	+200	+100
Chemicals & Allied Products	8,900	8,800	8,500	+100	+400
Petroleum & Coal Products	600	600	600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	5,000	5,100	4,900	-100	+100
Total Nonmanufacturing	559,400	560,000	547,000	-600	+12,400
Mining & Quarrying	800	800	700	0	+100
Construction	30,700	29,800	28,500	+900	+2,200
Transportation, Comm. & Utilities	51,700	51,800	51,400	-100	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	171,300	170,400	172,300	+900	-1,000
Wholesale Trade	(54,000)	(53,600)	(53,900)	(+400)	(+100)
Retail Trade	(117,300)	(116,800)	(118,400)	(+500)	(-1,100)
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	50,800	50,600	50,300	+200	+500
Services	153,100	152,100	150,000	+1,000	+3,100
Government	101,000	104,500	93,800	-3,500	+7,200
Federal Government	(29,000)	(29,200)	(28,300)	(-200)	(+700)
State & Local Government	(72,000)	(75,300)	(65,500)	(-3,300)	(+6,500)
In Labor-Management Disputes	200	100	100	+100	+100

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Table 2. Production Workers Average Hours and Earnings in Manufacturing

Area and State: **Kansas City, Missouri-Kansas** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **July, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$439.68	$456.71	$429.39	40.9	41.9	40.7	$10.75	$10.90	$10.55
Durable Goods	470.35	495.23	455.43	40.9	42.4	40.7	11.50	11.68	11.19
Lumber & Furniture	310.87	321.90	339.10	39.4	42.3	42.6	7.89	7.61	7.96
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	532.06	527.40	508.40	41.6	41.3	40.0	12.79	12.77	12.71
Primary Metal Industries	522.06	518.47	466.15	45.2	45.4	40.5	11.55	11.42	11.51
Fabricated Metal Products	395.09	384.20	365.60	40.9	40.4	40.0	9.66	9.51	9.14
Machinery Exc. Electrical	409.37	388.74	392.46	39.9	41.8	37.7	10.26	9.30	10.41
Electrical Equip. & Supplies	448.72	466.28	431.97	39.5	41.3	41.1	11.36	11.29	10.51
Transportation Equipment	649.26	689.75	599.54	43.4	45.8	42.4	14.96	15.06	14.14
Motor Vehicles & Equipment	(654.68)	(694.47)	(602.93)	(43.9)	(45.9)	(42.4)	(15.05)	(15.13)	(14.22)
Other Durable Goods	257.42	274.54	237.82	37.2	36.9	37.1	6.92	7.44	6.41
Nondurable Goods	391.55	391.68	385.29	41.0	41.1	40.6	9.55	9.53	9.49
Food & Kindred Products	443.33	434.43	413.88	44.2	43.4	42.8	10.03	10.01	9.67
Apparel & Other Textile Prod.	206.83	190.28	195.71	34.3	34.1	35.2	6.03	5.58	5.56
*Paper & Allied Products	376.00	393.18	377.07	40.0	41.3	41.3	9.40	9.52	9.13
Printing & Publishing	390.25	390.48	411.26	39.3	38.7	38.4	9.93	10.09	10.71
Chemicals & Allied Products	490.06	499.01	483.48	43.6	45.2	43.4	11.24	11.04	11.14
Petroleum & Coal Products	391.04	405.41	394.40	39.3	40.1	40.0	9.95	10.11	9.96
Other Nondurable Goods	302.91	304.06	276.89	41.1	41.2	40.6	7.37	7.38	6.[illegible]

* This series excludes industry 2771.
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St. Louis Labor Market Review

The St. Louis Area includes the City of St. Louis, and St. Louis, St. Charles, Jefferson and Franklin Counties in Missouri; and Clinton, Madison, Monroe, St. Clair and Jersey Counties in Illinois. The 1980 population for the Area was stated as 2,376,998 persons by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

July, 1985

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Area Labor Force Developments

The St. Louis MSA unemployment rate decreased from 8.4% in June to 7.4% in July. This significant decline was caused by mild mid-July weather conditions that allowed construction and outdoor services to increase employment. Agricultural employment and the number of self-employed also registered gains. Also, a significant number of students looking for summer jobs in June evidently found work while others, who could not obtain employment, dropped out of the labor force. Unemployment declined by 12,600 while employment increased by 9,100. Over the year, unemployment has declined by 2600 and employment rose by 42,800. The unemployment rate in July, 1984 was 7.8%. There were 100 labor disputants in July 1985, June 1985, and July 1984.

Manufacturing

Manufacturing employment declined by 100 over the month. Aircraft and parts registered a seasonal gain of 400 workers. Motor vehicles, down 300, continues to be affected by a temporary model change-over layoff at one local assembly plant. All other manufacturing sectors showed little or no change. Over the year, manufacturing rose by 1600. Motor vehicles increased 3100 due to the addition of a second shift at one assembly plant. Aircraft and electrical equipment also registered substantial gains. Primary metals, apparel, leather, and other nondurables continued to show job losses.

Nonmanufacturing

Nonmanufacturing declined by 3600 over the month.

Seasonal decreases occurred in trade and transportation, and government. Good July weather conditions, after the rain in June, caused construction and services to both register gains. Over the year, nonmanufacturing increased by 13,200. Significant gains continued to be reported in trade, finance, and services. Completion of some major projects in the area caused a slight decline in construction, down 1200, but employment in this industry still remains strong.

Unemployment and Manpower Resources

State UI continued claimants in the MSA were up 2400 in July, from June. In the Missouri portion of the MSA they were up 1800 and in the Illinois portion they were up 600.

The distribution of weeks claimed by intrastate Missouri resident claimants by industry attachment is as follows:

Industry	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.
INA	4	3	4	3
Agriculture	51	24	28	27
Mining	20	29	19	28
Constructin	1633	1239	1471	1014
Manufacturing Total	5590	4856	4654	3456
Food	409	353	336	313
Textile	24	24	18	23
Apparel	223	377	212	215
Lumber	44	19	31	35
Furniture	70	94	90	97
Paper	116	133	107	84
Printing	187	167	171	179
Chemicals	150	144	215	218
Petroleum	18	19	16	15
Rubber	207	155	138	120
Leather	370	360	330	297
Stone	85	77	78	49
Primary Metal	207	178	182	151
Fabricated Metal	563	529	449	431
Machinery	153	107	107	95
Electrtical Machinery	331	256	369	220
Transportation Equip.	1696	1194	1107	333
Instruments	37	30	25	11
Miscellaneous	694	638	670	564
Public Utilities	915	672	862	950
Wholesale & Retail Tr.	2337	2150	2172	2164
Finance	277	272	310	358
Services	5510	5278	5262	5788
All Other	206	237	217	259
TOTAL	16543	14750	14999	14047

Of the 14,047 intrastate Missouri resident claimants in July, 1985, 52.9 percent were male and 47.1 percent were female.

Weeks Claimed (Reference Week)

Occupation	Apr.	May	Jun.	Jul.
Prof., Tech. & Mgr.	1592	1607	1590	1928
Clerical	2268	2147	2250	2337
Sales	627	690	615	618
Farm, Fish & Forest	146	83	77	76
Processing	308	304	272	255
Machine Trades	1368	1243	1206	1030
Bench Work	941	950	860	819
Structural Work	1841	1486	1474	1247
Misc. Work	2067	1750	1822	1795
Domestic	31	33	29	38
Other Services	2269	2212	2193	2249
INA	3085	2345	2611	1655
TOTAL	16543	14750	14999	14047

Applications in file and placements made during the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1985 are distributed as follows:

	Female	Vets	-22	Min.	HDCP
Apps. in file, %	40.1	19.7	16.5	39.3	2.1
Placements, %	35.7	13.3	36.5	46.9	2.0

Available Job Oppportunties

The occupations percentage distribution of the openings received and filled during fiscal year 1986 by the Missouri State Employment Service is as follows:

Occupational Group	Openings Received Percent	Openings Filled Percent
Professional, Technical & Managerial	2.6	1.1
Clerical	19.2	10.7
Sales	26.1	36.4
Processing	1.3	2.9
Machine Trades	4.5	3.6
Bench Work	2.5	4.6
Structural Work	4.5	4.1
Motor Freight & Trans.	4.0	2.4
Packaging & Material Handling	6.6	9.3
Domestic	0.9	0.6
Other Services	26.7	23.8
Other Occupations	1.1	1.4

Unemployment Rate Outlook

The unemployment rate in August, 1985 is expected to be 7.4% and in September, 7.0%.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment
(Place of Work)

Area and State: St. Louis, Mo.-Ill. Met. Area

Month and Year of Current: July, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Nonagricultural Wage & Salary, Total	1,062,000	1,065,700	1,047,200	-3,700	+14,800
Percent Change				-(0.3)	+(1.4)
Manufacturing	229,800	229,900	228,200	-100	+1,600
Durable Goods	146,400	146,300	143,000	+100	+3,400
Lumber & Furniture	5,200	5,300	4,600	-100	+600
Stone, Clay & Glass	3,500	3,400	3,800	+100	-300
Primary Metal Industries	14,400	14,400	16,000	0	-1,600
Fabricated Metal Products	17,500	17,500	17,700	0	-200
Machinery, Except Electrical	18,800	18,800	19,100	0	-300
Electrical & Electronic Equip.	15,100	15,200	14,600	-100	+500
Transportation Equipment	58,500	58,400	54,000	+100	+4,500
Motor Vehicles	20,200	20,500	17,100	-300	+3,100
Aircraft & Parts	37,600	37,200	35,700	+400	+1,900
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	13,400	13,300	13,200	+100	+200
Nondurable Goods	83,400	83,600	85,200	-200	-1,800
Food & Kindred Products	21,400	21,300	21,800	+100	-400
Meat Products	1,400	1,400	1,400	0	0
Beverages	8,600	8,500	8,600	+100	0
Textiles & Apparel	6,600	6,700	6,800	-100	-200
Paper & Paper Products	5,800	5,900	5,900	-100	-100
Printing & Publishing	16,700	16,800	16,600	-100	+100
Chemical & Allied Products	20,900	20,800	20,800	+100	+100
Petroleum & Coal Products	2,400	2,400	2,400	0	0
Leather & Leather Products	4,600	4,700	5,300	-100	-700
Other Nondurable Goods	5,000	5,000	5,600	0	-600
Nonmanufacturing	832,200	835,800	819,000	-3,600	+13,200
Mining	3,600	3,600	3,700	0	-100
Construction	51,600	49,900	52,800	+1,700	-1,200
Transportation & Public Utilities	73,600	74,500	74,000	-900	-400
Railroads	7,100	7,100	7,600	0	-500
Transportation, Except Railroads	38,800	39,700	39,000	-900	-200
Communications & Public Utilities	27,700	27,700	27,400	0	+300
Wholesale & Retail Trade	252,300	253,100	246,500	-800	+5,800
Wholesale Trade	65,200	65,400	65,600	-200	-400
Retail Trade	187,100	187,700	180,900	-600	+6,200
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	65,100	64,600	63,300	+500	+1,800
Service, Except Domestic	255,300	253,600	249,100	+1,700	+6,200
Total Government	130,700	136,500	129,600	-5,800	+1,100
Total Federal Government	38,900	38,700	37,900	+200	+1,000
Total State & Local Government	91,800	97,800	91,700	-6,000	+100
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	100	100	100	0	0

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Table 2. Average Hours & Earnings of Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing

Area and State: **St. Louis Metropolitan Area** **Month and Year of Current Data:** **July, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	INA	INA	$426.38	INA	INA	39.7	INA	INA	$10.74
Durable Goods	INA	INA	442.80	INA	INA	40.0	INA	INA	11.07
Lumber & Furniture	342.59	346.88	296.45	40.4	41.1	38.4	8.48	8.44	7.72
Stone, Clay & Glass Products	428.67	385.13	428.16	40.1	37.5	40.7	10.69	10.27	10.52
Primary Metal Industries	467.27	488.58	417.60	39.7	41.3	36.0	11.77	11.83	11.60
Fabricated Metal Products	422.51	430.12	418.95	41.1	41.8	39.9	10.28	10.29	10.50
Machinery, Exc. Electrical	415.63	442.00	419.73	39.1	40.0	38.9	10.63	11.05	10.79
Elect & Electronic Equip.	319.95	323.21	293.46	39.5	40.1	37.1	8.10	8.06	7.91
Transportation Equipment	INA	INA	572.03	INA	INA	43.5	INA	INA	13.15
Instruments & Misc. Mfg.	294.51	292.93	279.70	38.1	36.8	37.9	7.73	7.96	7.38
Nondurable Goods	408.98	410.26	398.27	39.9	39.6	39.2	10.25	10.36	10.16
Food & Kindred Products	483.09	488.42	498.00	39.5	40.1	40.0	12.23	12.18	12.45
Textiles & Apparel	192.79	200.41	194.88	32.9	34.2	34.8	5.86	5.86	5.60
Paper & Paper Products	425.89	406.22	415.95	40.6	40.5	40.9	10.49	10.03	10.17
Printing & Publishing	399.11	402.87	390.20	42.1	39.0	37.8	9.48	10.33	10.32
Chemicals & Allied Prods.	472.40	481.73	451.94	40.9	41.6	41.5	11.55	11.58	10.89
Petroleum & Coal Products	623.60	623.60	551.74	42.8	42.8	40.9	14.57	14.57	13.49
Leather & Leather Products	205.80	203.36	187.14	37.9	37.8	34.4	5.43	5.38	5.44
Other Nondurable Goods	320.74	304.40	312.89	40.6	40.0	40.9	7.90	7.61	7.65

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Springfield Labor Market Review

(Greene and Christian Counties)
July, 1985
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Civilian Labor Force, Employment and Unemployment

The Springfield MSA labor force expanded by 600 from June to reach 119,800 in July. Total employment stands at 114,200, up 1,400 from June. The number of unemployed persons, estimated at 5,600, decreased 800 during the month. The rate of unemployment fell by eight-tenths of a percentage point from June to 4.6 percent in July.

Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

Payrolled employment inched downward by 200 in July. Manufacturing employment, estimated at 18,900, remained at the June level. An increase of 100 jobs in the durable segment was off-set by a corresponding decrease in nondurable manufacturing. Since July, 1984, manufacturing shows a net reduction of 1,400 jobs. Nonmanufacturing employment was off by 200 jobs from June to July. Increases in construction and trade of 200 and 300 respectively were more than off-set by decreases in services and government. The 500 drop in government jobs results from seasonal changes at local educational institutions during summer.

During the past 12 months, payrolled employment shows an overall loss of 200 jobs. This is the net result of a 1,400 job loss in the manufacturing sector and a gain of 1,200 jobs in nonmanufacturing industries. Nonmanufacturing industries recording significant employment gains during the 12 months include construction, trade and services.

Hours and Earnings

Average hourly earnings of manufacturing production and related workers rose from $8.75 in June to $8.87 in July. Most of this jump was fostered by wage rate increases including cost of loving adjustments. Average weekly hours worked fell 1.1 hours from June to 38.2 hours.

During July 1984 average hourly earnings amounted to $8.30 and the factory work week came to 38.7 hours.

Table 1. Nonagricultural Wage & Salary Employment

(Place of Work)
(Benchmark — March, 1984)

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri

Month and Year of Current: July, 1985

Item	Number of Jobs			Net Change To Current Month From:	
	Current Mo.	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
I	II	III	IV	V	VI
Total Nonag. Wage & Salary, Employment (Exc. Domestics)	94,000	94,200	94,200	-200	-200
Manufacturing	18,900	18,900	20,300	0	-1,400
Durable Goods	9,700	9,600	10,800	+100	-1,100
Lumber & Wood (Inc. Furn.)	900	900	900	0	0
Other Durable Goods	8,800	8,700	9,900	+100	-1,100
Nondurable Goods	9,200	9,300	9,500	-100	-300
Food Processing	3,800	3,900	3,900	-100	-100
Printing & Publishing	1,600	1,600	1,600	0	0
Other Nondurable Goods	3,800	3,800	4,000	0	-200
Nonmanufacturing	75,100	75,300	73,900	-200	+1,200
Mining	100	100	100	0	0
Construction	3,900	3,700	3,700	+200	+200
Transportation & Utilities	5,900	6,000	6,100	-100	-200
Trade	26,800	26,500	26,300	+300	+500
Finance, Insurance & Real Estate	4,400	4,400	4,300	0	+100
Services	22,900	23,000	22,300	-100	+600
Government	11,100	11,600	11,100	-500	0
Federal	1,700	1,700	1,700	0	0
State and Local	9,400	9,900	9,400	-500	0
Persons Involved in Labor-Management Disputes	0	0	0	0	0

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Employment and Unemployment Outlook

The area labor market is not expected to show any major changes between July and August. Construction employment has probably reached the high for the year and anticipated seasonal gains in trade and services will be somewhat small.

The number of unemployed persons should decrease slightly during August. It would appear the rate of unemployment will fall about two-tenths of a percentage point to approximately 4.4 percent of the work force.

Table 2. Gross Average Hours and Earnings for Production and Related Workers in Manufacturing Industries

Area and State: Springfield, Missouri **Month and Year of Current Data: July, 1985**

Industry	Average Weekly Earnings			Average Weekly Hours			Average Hourly Earnings		
	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago	Current Month	1 Mo. Ago	1 Yr. Ago
Total Manufacturing	$338.83	$343.88	$321.21	38.2	39.3	38.7	$8.87	$8.75	$8.30
Durable Goods	333.76	337.73	320.00	38.1	39.5	40.0	8.76	8.55	8.00
Nondurable Goods	347.66	353.98	334.63	38.5	39.2	38.2	9.03	9.03	8.76
Food & Kindred Products	372.78	375.09	366.03	39.7	39.4	37.5	9.39	9.52	9.29
Other Nondurable Goods	335.42	342.03	317.25	37.9	39.0	37.5	8.85	8.77	8.46

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